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INTRODUCTION.

IN the Introduction to the last volume of the N. R. Record series I remarked that “on first coming into charge of this parish, more than forty years ago, I was struck with the very large proportion of Quaker families still in occupation, or, at least, connection, with the place and the immediately surrounding district ; and that this was accentuated by the being of a Friends’ Meeting-house at Castleton.” And some further sentences were added, the general object and intention of which was to direct attention to certain other evidences, all indicating the former large proportion which the Friends must have owned among the population of the district. Since that was written, other particulars have been met with, not simply tending to the same general conclusion, but also emphasizing it in a particular manner, and indicating certain conclusions which were not at first sight what would have been anticipated. Thus, besides the Friends’ burial-ground at Castleton, which certainly has been such for a very considerable period, I am now assured there were also two others on the west side of Danby-dale, besides another at Lealholm, and yet another, at least, if not more, in the more easterly part of what was, at that time, the parish of Danby. At the time implied, there was, as I think it may be correctly stated, but one Church-of-England burial-ground within the limits of the parish—that is, inclusive of Glaisdale as well as Danby—and that, the churchyard around Danby church. The Glaisdale churchyard was not consecrated until long after. But, it would appear that the Friends did not accept the principle of centralization, but dotted their burial-grounds about without much reference to any principle save that of personal, perhaps almost individual, convenience. Less than this it seems difficult to infer from the ascertained existence of three separate burial-grounds in one section of the same parish, and all three within a linear space of two miles and a half.

I call attention to this fact, because it may form some sort of illustration of a circumstance that cannot but occasion some remark in connection with an entry in the present volume ; and especially, when

the details contained in that entry are supplemented by what is contained in several later entries, all bearing on the same matter.

The entry referred to is at p. 102, and is as follows:—"William Clayton, Phillip Scarth, William Thompson, Thomas Jackson, and William Linskill, being persons dissenting from the Church of England, called Quakers, did at these Sessions (October 8th, 1689) make and subscribe the Declaration mentioned in a Statute of 30 Charles II., entitled An Act to prevent Papists from sitting &c., and did also make and subscribe the Declaration and subscribe a profession of their Christian belief mentioned in a Statute of 1 William and Mary, entitled An Act for exempting their Majesties' Protestant subjects dissenting from the Church of England from the penalties of certain laws"; the entry in immediate consecutiveness to this record of the first instance of the kind yet noted—probably that had yet taken place in the Court of Quarter Sessions in the North Riding being the noteworthy one which follows, and which serves as preface to a long list of singular interest:—"In pursuance of the act for exempting their Majesties' Protestant subjects &c., it was certified to the Justices at these Sessions that, at the several places hereafter mentioned, are meeting-houses for certain persons dissenting from the Church of England called Quakers," where, it will be noticed, there were six (two in one hamlet) in the parish of Aisgarth, four in Grinton, three (two in one hamlet) in Romaldkirk, four in Danby, besides one at Westerdale, three in Sheriff Hutton, two in Crambe, two at New Malton, and so on.

But, as we avail ourselves of the further statistics of the same kind afforded us in the various notices which occur from time to time in various parts of the volume, of other houses obtaining licences for the same purpose, we find still further illustrations of the absence of anything like the principle of centralization, and of the presence of the principle of independence, indeed almost personal, even if not individual, independence. And for the convenience of the Members of the Society it is thought better to unite these two sources of information in the form of one general alphabetical list:—

Aisgarth.	Barton in Crambe.
Ampleforth.	Barton-le-Street.
Appleton.	Bilsdale (3).
Ashbury House.	Borrowby.
Ayton.	Bowes.
Bainbridge.	Brompton.
Bargh.	Broughton.

Carlton in Cleveland.	Lartington (2).
Carleton in Coverham.	Lealholm.
Carperby.	Leyburn.
Cotherstone.	Liverton (2).
Counterset (2).	
Crake.	Malton, New (2).
Crakehall, Great	Masham.
Crambe.	Mickleby.
Danby.	Middleton.
Easingwold.	Moorsholm.
Ellerbeck.	Morton Flatts.
Ellinton (High).	Moreton in Rokeby
Fadmoor.	New Buildings.
Farmanby.	Newton
Farndale (2).	Northallerton (2).
Firsill House in Hovingham.	Osmotherley.
Fosse House (in Sheriff Hutton).	Patrick Brompton.
Fryup.	Pickering.
Gilling.	Rainton.
Glaisdale.	Rokeby.
Guisborough.	Rosedale.
Harlsey.	Rounton.
Harlsey Castle.	Roxby (2).
Hawes.	Sawcock.
Healaugh.	Sheriff Hutton.
Healaugh Park.	Smarbar.
Helmsley.	Snape.
Hemmersdale.	Spaunton.
Hinderwell (3).	Stainton-dale.
Huby.	Stillington.
Hutton-in-the-Hole.	Stitnam.
Hutton Moor.	Stokesley.
Ingleby (? if not Arncliff).	Stonykeld.
Kirby Moorside.	Strensall.
Kirton.	Sutton.
	Syelle (? where).

Thimbleby.	Westerdale.
Thirsk.	Whitby.
Tholthorpe.	Wildon Grange.
Thornton.	Winton.
Thornton in Foston.	Woolpotts.
Ugthorpe.	Wrelton (3).
Wellburn.	Yarm.

But even this list, comprehensive as it is, can by no means be looked upon as exhaustive or complete: for there are several entries which are so doubtful in their nature that it becomes impossible to attempt any classification such as to permit the introduction of the houses named into any such list as this. Thus, I would specify the entry on p. 209, which is as follows:—"The houses of William Baros, John Freers, John Reachy, Alice Wood, Thomas Fletcher, Stephen Duck, in Bilsdale, and the house of Joseph Shipheard in Easingwould, are set apart for Religious worship for Quakers." The plain sense and intention of the sentence seems to be that six several houses, in Bilsdale only, are set apart as described. If this be accepted as the real purport of the entry—as I have little doubt it is—the remarkable statement is made that, including two other houses in the said parish elsewhere named as licensed for use by the Quakers there, there were no less than eight Friends' Meeting-houses in Bilsdale before the end of the first decade in the eighteenth century. If otherwise, it must be understood that the above list is defective to the number of five omissions indicated by this entry alone. And it is not the only one of the kind, although the most noteworthy.

Before finally quitting this series of remarks, it may be observed that the following entry from p. 243 does not stand alone, there being some others like it:—"George Meynell of New Malton, Walter Lowther of Kirkby Moorside, John Morlnor of Wilton, John Stephenson of Kirkby Moorside, and Richard Morland of Thornton Risebrough, Quakers, took the declaration of fidelity to the Government." And indeed in the extract quoted on a former page, the making and subscribing a Declaration and subscribing a Profession of their Christian faith is what is specified as required by the Act cited. And yet, strange as it seems—indeed, almost unintelligible—at p. 245 is the statement that "John Freer of Murton, Quaker, took the oathes." Whatever the explanation, there is the direct statement of the alleged fact.

It will also be remarked by the reader that other "Protestant dissenters" are named from time to time—but with great infrequency as compared with the Quakers—as availing themselves of the benefit of

the same Acts of Parliament as did the Friends. Thus, besides the house mentioned at the end of the long list of Quakers' Meeting-houses above referred to, and which is described as "for other Protestant dissenters," we have such entries as that at p. 109, where "it was certified to the Justices that the house of Mr. Thomas Smithson at Moulton, and the house of Mr. Daniel Smith at Hartforth are intended to be made use of for Divine worship by certain persons dissenting from the Church of England, and the said Mr. Smithson did at these Sessions take the oathes, and make and subscribe the Declaration mentioned in the said Act"; and again, two pages below, "it is certified that the houses of John Kiplin and John Heslop of Lartington, and Cuthbert Hutchinson and Henry Walker of Collerston, are set apart for the public worship of Protestant Dissenters." And again, in the entry (p. 148), stating that "John Taylor, a Nonconforming Minister, preaching in Swaledale at the new house or chappell adjoining to Smarbar Hall, belonging to the Lord Wharton, did, at these Sessions, take the oaths mentioned in the Act for preventing &c., and did also make and subscribe the Declaration mentioned in the Act to prevent Papists from sitting in either House of Parliament, and did declare his approbation &c.," where the object, of course, is to obtain a licence to officiate, it will be observed that there is the same vagueness of expression adopted as in the general class of notices such as those adduced just above. "Protestant dissenters" is the term employed; and it is only towards the close of the volume, and of course at a later period in point of time, that we meet with the specification of any individual or particular sect or denomination. At p. 184, we meet with the entry "The house of Mr. John Coulson in Newby, commonly called the School House, is certified to this Court to be set apart for Divine worship for the people called Presbyterians," and attention is drawn in a note to the circumstance that it is "the first specific entry touching the Denomination so called"; and considering all the circumstances, and the moving records of past times, which certainly had not been long enough ago to make such records "ancient history," it is not a little curious that it should be so. Other entries of the same kind are met with at pp. 192, 236, and it is worth noting that there is considerable uncertainty in the mind of the copying clerk, if not the Clerk of the Peace himself, as to the way in which the word ought to be spelt—Presbyterian and Presbeterian being two of the attempts made.

It will also be remarked, even on the most cursory inspection of the following pages, that an entirely new class of Orders makes its appearance about the middle of the volume, and continues throughout the same with sufficient frequency, and that the nature of these entries is such as to create a little surprise. What is referred to are notes of

this kind :—"The Treasurers to pay £20. 2. 6. to be disbursed for defraying the charge of conveying of vagrants; . . . £50. to be estreated for defraying the charge of conveying of vagrants, and paid to the Treasurers" (p. 182); "£25. 13. 6. for defraying the charge of conveying of vagrants throughout this Riding" (p. 184); "£20. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants, and the Treasurers to pay Mr. Barugh £15. to remain in his hands for the same purpose"; "the Treasurers to pay to Mr. Barugh £12. 7. 6. for the same purpose" (p. 188); "£50. to be estreated and paid to the Treasurers for the conveying of vagrants, and £20. to be estreated and paid to Mr. Barugh for the same purpose" (p. 189); "£50. to be estreated and paid to the Treasurers, and the Treasurers to pay to Mr. Barugh £15. 2. 6. for the same purpose" (p. 192). Now all these Orders are made within the space of fifteen months, and as we get further on in point of time, the charges of the same kind become larger still, but scarcely less frequent. Thus at pp. 214, 215, 216, 219, 220, 222, 224, will be found Orders for estreats to the several amounts of £80, £100, £50, £60, £50, £60, and £60, besides special notices of the payments made on the same account to or by Mr. Jasper Barugh or Barfe. In illustration, or part explanation, of this matter it may be remarked that on p. 177, first a reference to "a late Act of Parliament" is made, and next, the said Act itself is cited, its title given, and a good part of its enactments specified. The Act in question is that of 11 & 12 William III., and it provides that from June 24th, 1700, all vagrants, beggars, &c., shall be brought to the nearest Justice by the Constable or other proper officer of the place, township, &c., wherein they are taken wandering, to be dealt with as the said Act directs; and that as an encouragement to the Petty Constables to be vigilant in their duty, the Justice shall order them sufficient allowance for their trouble and expence; and further, the Court issues an Order that great diligence is to be exercised by the said Constables and other Officers. Again, at p. 234, an Order is made for the payment of 17*s.* 6*d.* to the Constables of Newsham for their charges in apprehending vagrants; while the very next entry goes on to advert to "the great abundant wandring and concourse of beggars, more of late than hath been seen forth of this County"; and, besides that, to order the Chief Constables of all Wapentakes and Liberties to take effectual means to compel the Petty Constables to be more diligent in the fulfilment of their office as touching vagrancy, with pointed reference to another, and older Act than that already referred to, aimed at the suppression of vagrancy. Thus then, taking into account the gratuities to the active Constables, and the inevitable expences attendant on the process of sending on vagrants from Constable to Constable to the places to which they

belonged, or were supposed to belong, it is easy to see what a fertile source of expence to the Riding the enforcement of the various Acts, whether for the regulation, or for the suppression, of vagrancy were perfectly certain to be.

Another and, as it would seem, very burdensome source of expence on the resources of the North Riding will be noticed on the perusal of the many Orders made for the payment of the expences incident on the transit of large bodies of soldiery, whether from the south to the north, or on their return march from the north towards the south. Notice is directed in the notes, in more than one place, to this subject ; and it is hardly necessary here to do more than direct attention to the very large sums, so repeatedly mentioned, as directed to be paid in reimbursement for the carriage of soldiers' baggage. And in connection with this may be mentioned such Orders as that which is noted at p. 128 :—“ £10. to be paid to Thomas Lascells, Esq., Mr. Robert Raikes, and William Harrison by the Treasurers, as a gratuity given them for providing carriages and horses for conveying their Majesties' forces from hence forward, for the greater ease of the neighbouring towns.” The “hence” would appear to indicate the town of Thirsk, as the Sessions at which the Order was made, were held there.

In the note on p. 145 touching the “late dreadfull fire at York, in the year 1694,” reference is made to the hope of obtaining some further and specific information. Through the kindness of Canon Raine I am enabled to give the following copy of a contemporary entry made in the Parish Register-book of St. Mary's, Castlegate, York :—“ April 2nd, 1694. Just as I was going to bed at ten o'clock this night, a dreadfull fire broke out in High Owsegate, which began by the carelessness of one Charles Hall, a quaker, and hemp-dresser, and consumed many houses, and next morning stopped about the Pavement Cross. If a temporal fire be so dreadful (as mine eyes beheld it all night till tears and sorrow made me unable to look up) what, sure, is that eternal one which is kindled by the Breath of the Almighty ? And from it, good Lord, deliver us. So prayeth Rich. Coulton.” There are, I am told, other records of the said fire extant, and some of them more precise. But the particulars are hardly wanted here.

But it should be observed that, besides the Order for the payment of £50. for the relief of such of the inhabitants of York as had been sufferers by the said fire, made by the Court, a further Order was passed that “the great loss sustained by several of the inhabitants of York by fire be recommended by this Court to all well-disposed persons in the Riding, and that all Ministers and Churchwardens be desired to be assistant to the sufferers in receiving such charity as any well-disposed person shall think fit to give.”

In the Introduction to the last Volume of the present series I drew attention to the specific action of the Justices at Quarter Sessions taken in connection with the granting of briefs in such cases as that now under notice; and at p. 128 of the same volume, a note is appended in the following words:—"Yet another case of the issuing of a brief under the authority, rather than merely with the sanction of the Justices in Quarter Session." And in connection with this, attention may be drawn to the graphic account of "the sad and lamentable fire at Growmont in the parish of Egton, and of the ruinous loss thereby inflicted on the sufferers," which is given at p. 186 of the present volume, and to the following sequel thereto:—"and, forasmuch as it is a godly and charitable deed to further, help and relieve such poor, distressed and miserable persons, none of us knowing how soon our condition may be such, and for that the bearers hereof are forced (by reason of their said great loss) to seek for help and succour towards their relief and maintenance, and this Court being satisfied that their condition is such as is premised, and moved with commiseration of this their sad and deplorable estate, doth, so far as lawfully they may, recommend the same to his Grace, the Lord Archbishop of Yorke, to grant unto the said poor sufferers his licence and Order to be read in the several and respective parish churches and chapells within the North Riding, on Sundays and other festivals, and that all Ministers and Curates do exhort and stir up their several parishioners to extend their charity in this behalf." And this is not a solitary instance. To mention but one, out of several more, at p. 230, among the Orders stands this:—"£5. 2. 6. to be paid to a Tollerton man for his loss by fire, and a letter of request to the Archbishop."

It would seem to be not improbable that the independent action of the Justices, noted in the earlier instances, originated in the high-handed interference of Commonwealth times with the services and solemnities of all kinds which, up to that period, had had their home and sanctuary in the churches of the whole country; and that the reference, after the Restoration, of all such practical details to the Diocesan, took its rise in a return to the older and more consistent practice. In any case, the contrast between the two modes of the Justices' action is worth passing notice.

Before leaving the subject of briefs intended to be read in the churches of the Riding, it will very likely be remembered that, in the Introduction to last year's volume, collections made at one of the said churches under authority of briefs were to be devoted to the benefit, at least to the alleviation of the sufferings, of the prisoners at Sallay and Tangiers. In the present volume we have at p. 56 the following entry:—"The Treasurer to pay £5. as a gratuity to William Robinson,

Esq., for the releasing Henry Straingeways out of his captivity, being taken prisoner by the Turks," and there are other notes of the same kind elsewhere in the volume.

Touching the matter of proceedings against Recusants, and other Nonconformists, the entries in the present volume are scarcely fewer in number, or of less interest, than those in any preceding volume. There is indeed, on the contrary, a sort of enhanced interest by reason of the variations observable in the policy pursued relatively to the Roman Catholics. There are many Orders made, of such a nature that it scarcely admits of doubt that less stringency in the enforcement of the penal statutes directed against the Romanists, in judicial quarters, has become the rule; and again there are very frequent Orders showing that increased vigilance and equally increased severity were the order of the day. In saying this, it is not intended to refer only to the notorious favour showed by James II. to his co-religionists, and the way in which previous enactments were treated as extinct or non-existent, rather than merely matters to be dealt with at the discretion of unwarranted prerogative; or indeed, to refer to it at all, except as to something unusual and anomalous: but rather to call attention to the fluctuating nature of the public feeling as illustrated by the corresponding fluctuation of repressive action. There were times at which—to use a phrase which belongs to a different time—the "No Popery" feeling had become much less wakeful and the "No Popery" cry much less vociferous. And then again, the feeling surged high in men's breasts and a deep stern cry was heard through the length and breadth of the land. The condition of political feeling on which all this depended, the comparative non-apprehensiveness of one period, the restless, uneasy, suspicious distrust or alarm of another, are quite sufficient to afford the explanation which seems to be called for, and a cursory glance at the course of events, as they transpired from the period of the later days of Charles II., down to the risings of the two Pretenders, is sufficient to make the whole fairly clear to us. Such a glance it has been the effort of the Editor to facilitate by the series of notes on passing events, at the different periods indicated, and there seems to be no necessity for reproducing it here. Indeed, all that seems to be called for in reality, is a brief reference to some of the alternations of feeling or action, or fluctuations, as before expressed, sufficiently definite to mark the changes as they are indicated.

Thus, at p. 21, is the Order "Forasmuch as Ralph Craythorne, Esq., Margaret his wife and Anne, wife of Ralph Craythorne, jun^r., are not able to appear at these Sessions, their recognizances are to be respited until next Sessions, and in the mean time, if they repair before two Justices and take the oath of allegiance, they are to be discharged of

their recognizances at the next Sessions"; and the like Orders for "John Meynill, of Little Broughton, gentleman, and Isabel Monday of Rivalx." Also "Jane wife of Thomas Askew of Dinsdale, gentleman, with Mary and Anne his daughters, to be discharged of their recognizances for Recusancy upon paying their due fees." Nor is even this, in which a mitigation of feeling and procedure is so evident, all that the same page affords of the same nature: for almost immediately below is an entry which seems to imply that the Recusants themselves were alive to the alteration in the feeling towards them, and a little inclined to presume upon it. Some of them had neglected to respond to the warrants, issued by the Court previously, for their personal appearance at the present Sessions.

Again, at p. 69, is the following:—"Ordered by the Court and agreed on by the Jury, that dissenters and absenter from the church presented by the Petty Constables be only indicted for absenting from the church for three Sundays last past: . . . and that if any person presented at these Sessions for excusancy (*sic*) shall within a month before the next General Sessions, or at any time betwixt now and then, pay 3*s.* due upon such presentment, or bring a certificate in writing under the hands of the Parish Officers of the respective places where they live, that they have paid the same to the use of the poor there, and pay all due fees to the Clerk of the Peace, that then no further process shall be issued out against them." The contrast between this and some of the entries touching matters of precisely the same nature occurring in the earlier volumes of the series is striking indeed.

But, a few years only having passed, or the date of 1689 having been reached, all is changed, and with a great change indeed! The Act for the better securing the Government by disarming Papists and reputed Papists, has been passed, and the Petty Constables are charged to deliver to their several High Constables faithful written lists of the names, surnames, habitations and ages of all Papists whatever in their separate Constabularies; memoranda of the doing of which and of the charges incurred in the doing of it are found in so many of our old parochial Churchwardens', and other, books of account. And then we come on notes of such applications as that on behalf of Simon Scrope, Esq., of Danby on Yore, that he, "being a reputed Papist, may have one gun, parcel of the arms found in his custody, allowed to him to keep for the defence of his house," and such Orders as "that such weapon be allowed him as being necessary for the purpose aforesaid, and to be so used and not otherwise, unless for fowling"; and the like Order in favour of Lord Fairfax a few lines further on: and on such detailed notices of seizures made of horses and arms from a number of reputed Papists, as are met with on p. 99, where Mr. Meynill of

Little Broughton, Mr. John Peirson and Mr. William Peirson, both of Stokesley, Mr. Thomas Middleton of Middleton, Mr. John Crosland of Helmsley, Sir John Lawson of Burgh, Mr. William Hildred of Manfield, Mr. Roger Meynell of Kilvington, all have horses taken from them, Lord Fairfax of Gilling having to submit to the loss of two pairs of pistols and their fittings, and a "small gun"; Mr. William Dent of Marrick to that of two small guns, and Sir William Tancred of Branton to that of a pair of pistols, and "a suite of arms, back, breast, and pot": all of which horses and arms, the entry proceeds to state, "were by the Justices at the Sessions aforesaid adjudged to be forfeited to their Majesties' use, and were by us delivered to the High Sheriff to be by him disposed of accordingly."

And yet again, what is next adduced is in itself sufficiently noteworthy, and, what is more, is that the simple mention of the date—1715, namely—is quite enough to serve as explanation of the stringent measures understood, if not fully expressed:—"Ordered, that the Treasurers pay £1. 2. 6. to Leonard Thompson, Esq.,"—one of the Magistrates actually occupying the Bench at the time—"for charges by him laid out for sending warrants out to seize Popish horses, arms, &c., at the demise of her late Majesty." This is at p. 241; on the next page there is this:—"The Treasurers to pay the Chief Constables of the several Weapentakes £2. for the trouble they were at in summoning the Papists, &c. . . . the Treasurers to pay Mr. Talbot Hessle and Mr. William Nevison £10, and to Mr George Potter £10, and to Mr. Stephenson £10. for their several searchings for Papish horses and arms."

Equally significant, although in another connection, is the notice on the following page, of the payment to one of the Chief Constables of Ryedale of £57. 16. 6. for sixty-one carriages for conveyance of soldiers' baggage from Helmsley to Yarm, for guide-money and for horses; and of £13. 10. to the other, on the same account; and also of the payment to a Mr. Hunt of £111. 4. for one hundred and fifteen carriages from Yarm to Durham, besides £4. 2. 6. for guide-money.

To those who are only familiar in thought as well as experience with such roads as the great north road now running in the direction indicated in these entries, along which a stranger might travel in the darkest night, or with his eyes blinded, secure from straying, the last item may seem a little extraordinary. But if we try and carry our minds back to the period at which, and the condition of things under which, the inhabitants of New Malton had an estreat of £100. laid upon their goods for not repairing the pavement—a mere line of rough flags along the midst of the "street" or roadway—or when a gratuity of £20. was, as a mere matter of ordinary occurrence, given towards

the charge of making a cawsey way over the forest"—or, as in another place, "over the moor"—from Clifton near York, to Hewby (pp. 16, 232, 235), the absolute necessity for the presence of, and direction by, guides in the ordering and controlling long strings of baggage waggons becomes more than simply apparent. It was one thing for a man or a few men, more or less acquainted with the points of the compass and with the general direction in which their route lay, to make their journey from one point to another. They could, for the most part, make their way without many detours on account of soft, boggy places on their line of march, or by reason of streams either not fordable at all, or fordable only with difficulty and risk : but it was quite another thing for a train of heavily laden cars, each one making the unstable track more treacherous for its immediate follower, to travel safely, or even at all on such journeys as those noted or implied, unguided.

And here, possibly, it may be as well to notice other two matters which can hardly be looked upon as un-apropos to the subject but now under notice. The first of these is a mention of a general Order issued by the Justices at the Sessions held October 2nd, 1711. Warrants are directed to be sent out to the several Chief Constables "to direct their precepts to all the Surveyors of every parish to order posts to be erected in all crossways according to the form of the Statute." This, then, gives us a rather interesting date for a set of rather interesting objects which have not as yet been all thrown down, buried, or broken up, but one or two of which here and there still remain to attest the fact that the Riding authorities actually busied themselves a century and three-quarters ago, to put venturesome travellers through North Yorkshire wilds in a better position for guiding their steps rightly. Besides two or three of these objects which I have myself made personal acquaintance with in this immediate district, it is but a few days ago that I was told by one of my neighbours (the Vicar of Ingleby Greenhow) of another, which might very well be one of those put up in obedience to the Precept of the Chief Constable of Langbargh at the time of our present Order. He writes:—"Having climbed the hill to what is called in the Ordnance Survey Blue Bell Trough, and paused awhile on the large barrow just above, I came—and in close proximity to the said barrow—upon a portion of an old stone guide-post, which had been buried in the ground, mostly if not entirely, and turned out in graving turves. The portion I found bore upon it a hand carved in relief, and an inscription of which I have a copy (not to be found at the present moment), but which, as I remember, ran somewhat thus—'This Waie to Kirbe.'"

The other matter to be noticed is the substance, or the nature, of the Order at the foot of p. 127 (followed in due time by a number of

others of like character), which runs as follows :—“ The carriers travelling from Richmond to London, and from London to Richmond, are not to take for any goods they carry betwixt the said places, above 2d. per pound for every pound of goods they shall so carry ; and for all goods they shall either take up or deliver short of either of the said places, they are to make a proportionable abatement of the said sum of 2d. a pound, answerable to the length of the way they shall so carry them ; and all carriers to have notice given them of this Order, that they may duly observe the same.” This is not without interest. Perhaps it would not be at any time : but in these days when the Post Office has so recently stepped in as the carrier of goods at cheap rates, within certain limits, and when there is so much discontent and searchings of heart at the practically prohibitive charges made for the carriage of certain kinds of goods by the great carrying firms, it comes in with almost singular fitness.

It is utterly, and obviously, impossible for the Editor to notice in detail all the matters which would justify comment if there were space, and so many of which are of such a nature as in a way even to demand it. It is, however, a fact that no less than ninety-five to a hundred such subjects have been jotted down in the Memorandum book which lay near, during the final revision of the following pages, to receive notes of all such matters as were, or seemed to be to the Editor, self-suggestive of interest. Among such reminders are cases in which a person or persons are presented for hearing mass, or the priest for saying it ; of schoolmasters presented for teaching without licence from the Diocesan or Ordinary ; of the searching and particular enquiries ordered to be made touching the naines, ages, rates of remuneration, and such-like matters connected with the general mass of servan'ts ; of lands set out by private owners to be used in the restoration of public highways damaged or destroyed by the encroachments of rivers—and there are no less than seven entries bearing on this last item, and almost as many touching its predecessor ; of cleansing of rivers and grants towards the provision of ferry-boats ; of not a few words or terms interesting from a philological point of view ; of Game-law enquiries, and appointments of Game-keepers, at the first on behalf of a division of the Riding, rather than in a private connection ; but ultimately by diverse owners of large amounts of landed property. But, at least, this list, which might be almost indefinitely lengthened, will serve the purpose of showing that the present volume is no laggard behind its predecessors in respect of the value and variety of its contents.

But there is one topic, as to which when the note on page 25 was penned, the Editor entertained some hope, as well as the desire, of being able to—not deal with it adequately, but—throw together some

few remarks which might have been attractive, perhaps even suggestive, to the student. But the wish and the hope alike seem to become more and more incapable of fulfilment, the more the general matter in question is considered :—and it has never been for long together out of the Editor's mind for the last two or three years at least. That general subject is the Manor and its history ; its origin and constitution, involving many changes and adaptations, it may be, as well as necessitating considerations of a very intricate and complicated nature, and depending on modes of custom, ancient, varying, and only not long since obsolete, because preserved in some obscure manorial or township usage. If such a theme should, at some time or other, be taken up by one possessing the requisite time and means of research, as well as knowledge, historical, local, and legal, all the “anomalies,” inconsistencies, perplexities, difficulties, which present themselves to the student pursuing the comparative system, in the pages of this series, and with which the pages of the present volume may be almost said to bristle, all these matters will fall into their proper place, and the difficulties that are now apparent will cease to be. For it is not simply conceivable that in the Manor and its constitution dealt with as is assumed, we should have explanation and illustration of the aggregation of eight different townships or constableries, all once separate and—at least, in a sense—*independent manorial districts*, to form one parish as well as, practically, one manor (as at Lythe) ; of five, as at Topcliffe (pp. 7, 9) ; of ten, twelve, even fifteen or upwards, in other parts of the county, and almost of the Riding ; but absolutely certain or inevitable that such would be the case. And through the same channel would flow in upon us a great stream of enlightenment as to the many considerations involved in the diversity of the multifold and perplexing systems of assessment referred to in the Introduction to the preceding volume ; and also as to the continual disputes on divers matters between adjoining proprietors or contiguous districts, parochial or other, brought to the Justices for settlement ; and so forth.

But to dismiss generalities of this sort, and advert to the special “anomaly” which was the occasion of the note above referred to :—two labourers of Stapleton are presented for “chasing cattle” ; elsewhere, in numerous cases, men are presented for “dogging” sheep or cattle ; for breaking the pinfold ; for not making good their proportion of the pinfold ; for not scouring their watercourses ; for “keeping a mangy horse on the common pasture” (p. 130) ; and the like, without end. In the note under comment, these and such like matters are spoken of as, in some instances, “matters dealt with, so to speak, at home.” In illustration of this let me adduce a few instances from the records of one North Riding group of associated manors only, and all

dating within half a dozen or half a score years of the period reached in the present volume. Two men are amerced 9*d.* each for "their scab'd horses going in the pasture"; at the same time and place, two other men were amerced in the same sum, for their "scab'd horses going on the common"; the second of these two was amerced in 3*d.* additional for not taking his "mangy horse" off the common after notice given; at the same place, the year before, a man was fined 6*d.* for "hownding sheep"; on a closely adjoining manor (another of the same "group"), but twenty years later, a "pain is laid" that any person breaking the pinfold be amerced in 5*s.*, and that any person failing in doing his part in keeping the pinfold in due repair, be fined in the same sum; that such and such a watercourse be made good within a given time, and any person neglecting his share in the work be fined 6*d.* for every rood he is answerable for. In fact I might fill pages with extracts of precisely the same nature from the Court Rolls of this one single group of manors. And if I come nearer home, I have pages upon pages of exactly the same kind of offences "dealt with at home" at Ingleby Arncliff, at Fylingdales, at Danby, at Whitby, and elsewhere.

With such parallelisms as these, the question naturally suggests itself—"Why, in some cases, are offences of this kind dealt with at home, and in other cases held to appertain to the jurisdiction of the Justices in Quarter Sessions? And any answer that deals only with the power and the functions exercised at the Sheriff's Tourn or the Court Leet, leaves the real, because the historical, nature of the question untouched.

It is quite true that the powers named were possessed and exercised, and perhaps to an extent that the general reader does not allow for. "The jurisdiction of this court was extensive. It could try all felonies except homicide. It might enquire of hauntings of taverns if they had wherewithal to live; and of eaves-droppers who stand under walls and windows by night, to hear tales and carry them to make debate between their neighbours; and of scolds or brawlers, whose proper punishment was by the cuckstool—for this is a nuisance. It also had jurisdiction in cases of adultery, breaches of the peace, using false weights, *assisa panis et cerevisie*, common nuisances, to try the quality of goods, &c. The officers of a Leet were a steward, bailiff, reeve, ale-conners, (whose duty it was to see that bread be weighed according to the assise, and that the ale be wholesome and sold at the proper price, and to present all defaults of brewers and bakers committed within the jurisdiction), a chief constable and a petit constable."*

* There were, in point of fact, other officers besides those named here, at least in these northern parts. In fact, the list of designations, or variations of designation,

If it be contended that the exercise of these powers depended upon charters of grant and confirmation by some one or other of the earlier Kings, it may and must be at once rejoined, "But the King or Kings in question did not create, or originate, the said powers. They existed, and had existed for ages before the Kings in question so much as drew the breath of life, and the historical elucidation of such existence is the matter to be thought of and aimed at."

"That which has occasioned the difficulty in the history of the manor," says a recent most competent, and equally judicious, writer, "is its composite nature, but this difficulty exists only on the assumption of perfect simplicity and equality at the outset:—the difficulty vanishes if the manor had a composite origin." But the writer in question had been glancing at two principal rival theories, termed respectively the *legal* theory and the *historical* theory; and then at what may be called the sub-theory of Mr. Seebohm. Entirely agreeing, as I do, with the writer cited—Professor Earle, in his Introduction to "Land Charters and Saxon Documents"—I am inclined to think that in the case of our North Country Manors and their Courts, the composite nature is even more composite than is understood or allowed for by him in the sentence in question. There is another consideration certainly, affecting them, which can by no means be left out of the account, and which is not (and naturally under the circumstances) allowed for by one whose theme was the midland and south-country manors; but which is recognized and estimated by another able and cautious writer on the same and allied subjects. He has been noticing certain differences as between the occupants of an "eleventh century manor in Middle or Southern England" and the contemporaneous occupants of manors more in the district of the Danelagh; and indicating the importance of those differences, at least in some particulars; and then he concludes "we may reasonably conjecture that this state of things was due to Danish chiefs seizing the manor-houses and putting their followers in the place of some of the Saxon villeins; and that the new comers, while willing to assist their lords at busy times, would not submit to labour for them so many days a week, like those whose places they had taken."

There is great force in this remark, or, at least in the considerations suggested by it: perhaps even much more than might occur to the author. For I am increasingly inclined to think that, in several, if

of the office-bearers in a Court Leet and Baron in the North Riding is rather a long one. I should add that I am indebted to Mr. William Brown, formerly Secretary to the Society, for the opportunity and the permission to print the above extract. It is taken from one of his notes to Vol. I. of the Chartulary of Guisborough Priory, which he is now editing for the Surtees Society.

not in many, instances in this district of Cleveland (to go no further afield at present) Danish chiefs did not displace (not Saxon, but) Anglian lords of Manors and their villeins ; and simply because there were none of either class to be displaced. There is but little rashness in the statement that it is possible to adduce an argument of such a nature as to be almost, if not entirely, conclusive as to the theory that there might be, probably was, no Anglian settlement in wide areas of the Wapentake of Langbargh, of which this parish (originally of over 23,000 acres in extent) was one. And if that theory be made good, or come to be established, the intrinsic value of Mr. Ashley's remark will of course be greatly intensified.

But however composite—I would rather say however complicated—the original constitution of the ancient manor, let us not forget, even though we have to conclude with an “Ignoramus,” that the question before us was, how it came to pass that certain misdemeanors and other offences, by no means all of them of local character (and even felonies in thousands of instances), were in some cases dealt with at home, and in other cases referred to the jurisdiction of the Justices in Quarter Session ?

It is, I am afraid, impossible to give a categorical answer to this question, and even a probable solution can only be suggested with much diffidence. There is a certain sense in which it may be said that the comparatively few existing Manorial Courts are merely and simply survivals ; and in a still truer sense, it may be added that they owe their quasi-galvanized existence, or survival, to pure local and accidental circumstances. Thus, the manor Court here subsists because there are ten or twelve thousand acres of common, and some two hundred (or nearly) common rights (involving other rights), and a vast body of documentary evidence in the hands of the Freeholders preserving the fact as well as the proof that such rights are. The Manor Courts of Whitby and Arncliff have ceased, because, in the one case they have been superseded ; in the other, because they had become effete. And if one casts his thoughts backwards with the means of enquiry and information at his command, the record that is left to be read is, that scores upon scores of these courts have become obsolete, and have fallen into desuetude, within the last two centuries, some less than that, and some even almost or quite under our own observation. Nay, I suppose that, if it were advanced that a strangely large proportion of the Inclosure Acts at large sounded the death-knell, each for one manorial Court, very few would undertake to defend a contrary view.

But, assuming the validity and force of this line of consideration, is it not safe to infer that many and many a manorial Court was doomed, and died, from a very much earlier period than only two or three cen-

turies ago ; and that, with the death or desuetude of the local jurisdiction, the necessity of appealing to some such authority as the County Jurisdiction or its substitute would arise, and would exact practical attention ? And may not this consideration serve, in part at least, to suggest an answer to the question just now recalled to our recollection ?

In conclusion, no one can be more sensible than the Editor is, how inadequate, imperfect, incomplete and unsatisfactory this Introduction to such a mass of material as the present volume contains really is, and certainly no one save the Editor can be so fully conscious of the trespass committed on the patience of the members and the general reader by the length to which the Introduction has been suffered to run.

One word more. Partly on the ground last adverted to, and partly because it may be more practicable, and more necessary too, at a future time, no specific attention has been given to the most interesting mass of information and detail given in the concluding sheets of the present volume.

DANBY, November 30, 1889.

QUARTER SESSIONS RECORDS.

[VOL. A¹⁵, I.] THIRSK.

Qu. Sessions at, October 2, 1677.

Before Sir Watkinson Paylor, Sir Metcalfe Robinson, Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Jas. Pennyman, Sir Gilbert Gerrard, Sir Barrington Bouchier, Sir Henry Calverley, Tho. Metcalfe, Humphrey Wharton, Roger Beckwith, Will. Cayley, Rob. Wharton, John Gibson, Jas. Clayton, Geo. Smithson, Constable Bradshawe, and John Wilson, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Sir Godfrey Copley : Sam. Roper, Deputy Sheriff.

Presents:—A Linton-on-Ouse man for assault on the Constable ; the inhab^{ts}. of Barton for refusal to pay L. S. and Hosp^{ts}. money ; a Pickering yeomⁿ. for stopping a road with a locked gate ; the Constable of Reeth for neglecting to execute Justices' warrants ; five lab^{rs}. for riotous assembly and assault ; three cases of trespass with damage ; two cases of assault ; one case of stealing ; twenty firkiners for making butter firkins above the weight of 8 lbs. which could not contain 56 lbs. ; seventeen farmers for selling butter under weight ; a farmer for putting stones into his butter firkins ; twelve farmers for selling butter and not marking the exact weight of the firkins themselves upon the firkins in which it was sold ; three farmers for not branding the first letter of their names on their butter firkins ; a farmer for selling butter mixed with old and corrupt butter. [11.] Two bills ignored. Two cases of traverse.

[13^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The Parish Off^{rs}. of Whitby to pay 12d. weekly for the maintenance of an infant according to a former Order ; [14.] a gratuity of £5 for Bunskill Bridge ; Order in a bastardy case ; 20s. to be paid to Jas. Darling as an additional gratuity towards his charges in prosecuting a felon who was hang'd the last Assizes ; Oliver Lucas of Beedall to be C. C. for Hang East *vice* John Thwaites ; the inhab^{ts}. of Little Broughton to pay their proportion towards the repair of Broughton

Bridge as formerly they have done ; [14^b.] a gratuity of £6. 13. 4. for the repairing and paving of Cattericke Bridge ; a gratuity of £1. 2. 6. for Croft Bridge ; whereas it was formerly Ordered that Rich. Tennant of Crakall, gentⁿ., should be C. C. for Hang East, *vice* Chr. Jefferson, or shew cause etc., and whereas he hath shewed such cause that this Court is pleased at present to acquit him from the said office : Ordered that the said Chr. Jefferson shall nominate some other person to succeed him in the said office or continue therein himself ; the man indicted for not repairing the highway betwixt Welbury and the market town of Northallerton to be reimbursed by the Overseers for the highways of Deighton what money he hath disbursed about discharging the said indictment, and, for the future, the said highway to be repaired at the common charge of the inhab^{ts}. of Deighton, or cause to be shewed etc. ; [15.] whereas at last Thirske Sessions it was Ordered that all things touching the rates and proportions of Huttons Ambo and Wigginton should stand and remain as they then were until this General United Sessions, and that then all persons concerned should attend with their witnesses for proving and ascertaining the said rates, which should then be absolutely concluded and determined : the inhab^{ts}. of Huttons Ambo having attended, and the inhab^{ts}. of Wigginton making no defence : Ordered that in all payments, taxes, etc. Huttons Ambo shall be taxed after the rate of £27 and Wigginton after £26, and this Order shall be conclusive ; [15^b.] 5s. to be paid to the Overseer for Monk-end Bridge, which he hath disbursed to the Clarke of the Assizes ; a Well man, who was Ordered to pay 9d. weekly to his son-in-law, having satisfied the Court that he is not chargeable by law for his maintenance : Ordered that he be acquitted of the said 9d. weekly, and that the Parish Off^{rs}. of Tanfeild do pay the said man 9d. weekly, and in case of refusal etc. ; the inhab^{ts}. of Easby to pay £12 to Mr. Leon. Robinson of Gillhall in satisfaction for the land he hath set forth out of his own lands adjoining the highway which hath been lately worn away by the river Swale, and the lands of the said Mr. Robinson in Easby not to be chargeable to the payment of any part of the said sum ; [16.] Henry Lucas of Crakall to be sworn C. C for Hang East *vice* Chr. Jefferson ; John Thwaites and Chr. Jefferson, gentⁿ., C. C^s. for Hang East, to perfect their acc^{ts}. ; the Parish Off^{rs}. of Bulmer to provide habitation for a poor woman ; the gagers of Excise to leave, at each time of gaging, a true and distinct note or duplicate in writing with every alehousekeeper, both of the quantity and quality of the liquor, strong and small, so gaged, and in case of refusal etc. ; [16^b.] copies of the preceding Order to be sent by the Clerk of the Peace to the respective Justices and C. C^s., to be published to the country ; the Collectors of hearth money to forbear to demand, dis-

train, or levy any sum of money upon the smiths for their forges or smithy hearths, which are hereby unanimously declared to be exempt from payment of the said duty, and in case of refusal etc.; copies of the preceding Order to be sent to the respective Justices etc.; [17.] the tenants of Crosby and Cotcliffe to repair Cotcliffe Bridge for the future, and to put it in sufficient repair before Christmas next upon pain of £10, and the owners, tenants, and inhab'ts. of Knayton, Leake, Silton and the Constabulary of Lanmoth are hereby freed for ever from repairing the said bridge; it being adjudged that Cotcliffe is part of the Constabulary of Thornton-in-le-Beanes: Ordered that for the future the same shall be charged and assessed in all taxes, etc. to Thornton-in-le-Beanes aforesaid; [17^b.] the Collector of hearth money to restore to two Screwton men the goods wrongfully distrained for the duty for the hearths belonging to their private ovens; gratuities to three L. S^s.

[18^b.] WENSLEY.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, October 8, 1677.

Before Tho. Metcalfe, Rob. Wharton, Jas. Clayton, and John Wilson, Esquires.

Ordered that Sir Geo. Marwood, Rob. Wharton and William Metcalfe, Esquires, or any two of them, whereof one to be of the quorum, are appointed and nominated to view and oversee the books of the Sheriff, Under Sheriff, County Clarke, or their deputies, touching the Sheriff's amerciaments, before the estreats be made thereof, and further to execute according to the directions of the statute of the 11th of Henry VII. cap. xv.*

* The preamble to the section specially quoted is so quaint, and the picture given of abuses, by no means yet extinct at the date of this Sessions, so graphic, that it is thought advisable to give extracts from the same:—"Whereas great extortion is yearly used and had within divers Counties of this Realme of England by the subtily and untrue demeanour of Sheriffs, Undersherriffs, Shire-clarkes, or any other Officers, holding and keeping the Counties in the name of the Sheriffe, that is to say, if any man affirme a plaint before the Sheriffs in the Counties or before any other of the said Officers, the said Sherife, Undersherife, or his Shire-clerke, (they) will enter or cause to be entred in their books in the same Plaintiffes name divers and many plaints both of debt, trespass, and covenant, at their pleasure, and unknowing to the same Plaintiffe in whose name the said plaints beene affirmed, to the intent that if the Defendant appeare not at every Shire day or Court, hanging the same plaint, he shall leese for this default made at every plaint, ivd., where divers times by covin betweene the said Sherifys, Undersheryfes, and Shire-clerke, and the other foresaid Officers, the said defendants having never been attached, summoned, nor warned, according to the due forme of the Common Law, wherfore the same parties put in suit, have no knowledge of any such suit had against them, and over that the said Sherifs,

[19^b.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 15, 167⁷₈.

Before Sir Barrington Bourchier, and Will. Cayley, Esquire.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Newstead lab^r. for assault and illegal imprisonment ; a gentⁿ. and a blacksmith for refusal to pay ass^{ts}. ; the Constable of Ryton for neglecting to execute a warrant ; a Thornton man for not repairing his fences ; a case of forcible entry ; two cases of trespass with damage ; two cases of non-repair of highways ; three cases of stealing.
 [22^b.] Four prisoners tried : three acquitted and one convicted.

[23.] ORDERS made etc.

A gratuity of £5 for repair of a bridge in Goateland which is of great use to the country ; [23^b.] upon hearing the debate of the inhab^{ts}. of Rivalx and the inhab^{ts}. of Eryholme touching the settlement of an infant : Ordered that he be settled at Rivalx ; a man to be settled at Sheriff Hutton, and the Parish Off^{rs}. to provide him a convenient habitation ; [24.] the Parish Off^{rs}. of Oldstead to provide a habitation for a poor widow ; a man and his wife to be settled at Loftus and provided for etc. ; a man and his wife sent to Terrington to be provided for, and upon their disobeying this Order to be carried to the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske ; [24^b.] a writ of restitution ; four gratuities to L. S^s.

&c., will cause divers plaints to be taken in the names of such persons that are not in plain life, where the said defendant shall have like losse as is before rehearsed : so that the unlawfull demeanour of the said Sheriffs, &c., and the Bailiffs in the Hundreds for their default and negligence in their offices, and covin between the said Sheriffs, &c., causeth the amerciaments, that be in the one yeare after the booke be ingrossed to amount to great and importable sommes of mony, which summes of mony bin yearely levied of the poor Commons in the said Counties by the Sheriffs, &c., and other Deputies, being of no substance neither of havour, which Deputies take and levie more by extortion then is contained in their estreats, to the expresse pillage and impoverishing of the said Commons : Be it therefore ordained and enacted," in brief, as follows :—That no plaint shall be entered in the County Court but where the Plaintiff or his Attorney is present ; that there shall be but one plaint entered for one cause ; that a J.P. may examine the offence, and certify it into the Exchequer ; that two Justices shall view the Sheriffs' Estreats ; that Bailiffs shall be sworn to gather but what is due, the said Bailiffs being such only as are duly appointed ; and that process shall be awarded by the Justices of Peace against any offender.

[25^{b.}] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 22, 167 $\frac{1}{8}$.

Before Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Jos. Cradocke, Tho. Metcalfe, Humphrey Wharton, Will. Robinson of Rookeby, Will. Wyvell, Tho. Cradocke, Roger Beckwith, Rob. Wharton, Edw. Blacket, Jas. Clayton, Geo. Smithson, and John Wilson, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Thornton-le-Street yeom^{n.} for throwing the bodies of animals which had died of the pestilence into Codbeck ; the same for placing animals which had died of the pestilence in the highway ; three Egleston Abbey yeom^{n.} for putting fish heckes into the river Tease ; a Mewker man for stopping a watercourse ; a Hunderthwaite yeom^{n.} for combining to charge a man with a certain felony ; fourteen Askrig men and two Bainbrig men for combining to scandalize and villify Tho. Metcalfe, Esq., J.P., by presenting a petition against him in these words :—" That Anth. Allen of Askrig, upon the certificate of his bad behaviour by us and others made at Northallerton Sessions, was bound over to appear etc., and that since that time he hath threatened several persons, and upon information of the same given upon oath to a J.P., a new warrant was directed to the Constable of Askrig for apprehending the said Allen, and Tho. Metcalfe, Esq., aforesaid, whose servant he pretended himself to be, doth keep him in his house and his gates shut that neither the Constable nor his deputy can come near him, and the same Mr. Metcalfe last Munday sent a warrant against us and several others by his own servant commanding us to appear here this day for signing a certificate against Allen, and Will. Thornton of Askrig, gent^{r.}, doth likewise humblie certifie that Mr. Metcalfe is so inveterate against him by reason of a late suite that he hath caused several of their workmen and those that have been witnesses in the said cause to be prosecuted with warrants and indicted, and in his own person hath caused their doors to be broken open and they to be carried to Yorke Castle, without they would enter bond either before him or Justice Clayton, and not to have the liberty of being bound before any other J.P., and that Justice Metcalfe received 40s of the Overseers of Askrig and 40s. of a yeom^{n.} for putting out two poor children apprentices, which was Ordered by this Court, but as yet hath neither put out apprentice, nor any way disposed of the same as the said Order directed, and hath likewise received 5s. apeice of several badgers for using false measures according to the late statute, and continued the same to his own proper use : wetherefore

humble pray that some speedy course may be taken with the said Allen, that we may live in safety :* and that Mr. Metcalfe may be called to acc^t. for all the said several sums of money by him received and not disposed of, and your petitioners shall humble pray, etc. ; a Startforth yeomⁿ. for catching ten unseasonable fish called scurves ; † an' Egleston Abbey lab^t. for the like ; three Skeeby men for encroaching upon the highway ; a Greta Bridge man for threats ; a Greta Bridge widow for being a woman of evil conversation ; an Exilby man for suffering a prisoner to escape ; a farmer for not stamping his initials on his butter firkins ; three cases of trespass with damage ; one case of not repairing fences ; two cases of not repairing highways ; seven cases of stealing. [32.] Eight prisoners tried : five convicted and three acquitted.

[32^b.] ORDERS made etc.

All lands within the Constabulary of Scorton to be assessed in all

* We have in this presentment a very striking as well as graphic picture of the state of society in Wensleydale at the date of the present Sessions. That the Justice Metcalfe assailed belonged to the influential and numerically very powerful family of Metcalfe of Nappa may, I suppose, be safely inferred. The series of specific charges alleged, and with such remarkable precision as to time, place, and person, is such as to be almost startling. It is scarcely possible to suppose that there was no foundation for any of them, perhaps, even, of most of them. And to this it may be added that the notion that there was more or less foundation for the bulk of them consists but too accurately with what we know of many of the abuses of a like nature that most assuredly continued to prevail long after the period assumed in this entry. Compare, indeed, the substance-matter of the entry which gave occasion for the first note in the present volume.

† The Scurf is identified by Mr. Crouch, in his "History of Fishes of the British Islands," iv. 200, with the Peal or Salmon Peal, and more doubtfully with the Bull Trout. "The Peal," he writes, "under several names is known in considerable abundance through the whole extent of the British Islands indeed, under a variety of names, is as widely distributed as any of the same family," and he quotes Sir William Jardine as considering the fish in question "to be the Hirling or Herling of the Scotch side of the Solway Firth, the Whiting of the English side, of the Eden and the Esk, the Phinnoch of the north and west of Scotland, the White of Pennant, and the Silver White of Tweed tacksmen." The various provincial names of divers species of fish are as perplexing as those in any other branch of Natural History ; and in one case I remember picking up four or five connected with the salmon and the sea-trout, applicable in their various stages of age or growth, which, familiar as I was with the corresponding names in such rivers as the Tweed and the Wye (to mention no others), were entirely new to me, one of them being the somewhat interesting term "Summercock"—interesting from its analogy with the Normandy *salicoque*, a prawn, and the Whitby *ninnycock* for a young lobster—the summercock being also a fish in its youth. But, perplexing as the names of the fish themselves may be, what is to be said of the names of the engines for taking them, when one list of one description thereof furnishes forth such a goodly array as the following ?—"Net, weeble, butt, taining, kepper, lime, crele, raw, fagnet, trolnet, trimenet, trimbote, saltbote, weblister, seur, and lammet."—Statute 1 Eliz., c. xvii.

ass^{ts}. etc. for the future, not according to oxgang, but pound rate; Tho. Fetham of Aldbrough to be Thr^r. for L. S. and Hosp^{ts}. in Richmondshire, and C. C. for Gilling West *vice* Tho. Lightfoot, gentⁿ., and to appear at the next Easter Sessions to be sworn, and the said Mr. Lightfoote to continue in the said offices till then and no longer; all C. C^s. in Richmondshire, that have stood above three years in the said office, to perfect their acc^{ts}. before the next Sessions, and at the present Sessions severally and respectively to present fit and able persons to serve in their places; the inhab^{ts}. of the several Constableries of Disforth, Rainton, Baldersby, and Aizenby, all within the parish of Topcliffe, and yet within Richmondshire, for the future to pay their L. S. money to the Thr^r. of Richmondshire by Constableries in pursuance of a former Order, and not to the parish of Topcliffe as the same formerly hath been received and collected; [33.] whereas it was formerly Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. of Easby should pay £12 to Mr. Leon. Robinson of Gillhall in satisfaction for the lands he hath set forth out of his own lands adjoining the highway, and that his lands should not be chargeable to the payment of the same, upon a full hearing of all parties concerned: Ordered that the whole business be referred to two gentⁿ., who are to view and value the lands in dispute and to allow him for the said lands, his own land in Easby contributing to the said charge; [33^b.] John Bayles of Rombaldkirke to be C. C. for Gilling West *vice* John Loadesman; the whole business for regulating all ass^{ts}. amongst the towns of Barton, Eryholme, Middleton, and Great Smeaton to be referred to Sir Will. Chaytor, Rob. Wharton, and Geo. Smithson, Esquires, to examine the yearly valuation of the said towns and to make their report thereof at the next Sessions: and the said Justices to give notice to the said several towns of the time they intend to take a hearing of the premisses, that they may be provided of their witnesses to make out the valuation of the said several townships, and their Order thereupon to be conclusive; a gratuity of 2os. to a Sinderby man, he having a great charge of small children; the Parish Off^{rs}. of Easby to provide a poor widow a habitation; [34.] Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. of the Constabery of Easby shall yearly, for the future, contribute to the hiring of a Constable for the said town, and that they pay unto their late Constable 3os. for his service and disbursements: Ordered that the towns of Laytons Ambo cum Carken do yearly equally amongst them collect 2os. to be paid to such person as they shall yearly chuse for their Constable, for executing the said office; [34^b.] a hole to be made in the wicket of the goale door at Richmond through which they may receive what provision they have a mind, and the goaler not to take of any prisoner for debt that provides his own bedding for lodging above 4d. per week, and of those he

provides bedding for, 1*s.* 6*d.* per week ; * Tho. Smith of Masham to be C. C. for Hang East *vice* John Thwaites, gentⁿ.; a man and his wife and children to be settled at Borrowby unless the inhab^{ts}. of Borrowby shew cause etc. ; [35.] a fourth part of the L. S. money now paid in Richmondshire to be for the future abated ; a warrant against the sixteen Askrig men mentioned above ; † [35^b.] three prisoners to be sent to their homes etc. ; this Court doth impower the Constable of Exilby to appoint two deputies, one for Leeming and another for Newton ; a warrant against Mr. Rob. Belwood to be bound to keep the peace ; a man to be whipped at Richmond for combining to charge a man with a certain felony, and other misdemeanours, and to be conveyed from Constable to Constable to Rombaldkirke where he did the fact, and there to be whipped also if his distemper (commonly called the King's evill) will allow it ; ‡ [36.] an Exilby man who was indicted for suffering a prisoner voluntarily to escape, to which indictment he submitted and was fined £1. 13. 4., for non-payment of the said fine to be commit to the goale at Richmond till he pay the said fine or be discharged etc. ; a man committed to the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond till next Sessions when he is to be tried for a certain felony ; gratuities to four L. S^s.

[37.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 9, 1678.

Before Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Will. Chaytor, Tho. Metcalfe, Humfrey Wharton, Will. Wyvell, Roger Beckwith, Jas. Clayton, Geo. Smithson, Constable Bradshawe, John Wilson, and Tho. Worsley, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presents :—A servant for embezzling his mistress' goods with the intention of stealing them ; a Hemsley saddler for scandalous words ; two cases of trespass with damage ; a case of assault ; a case of stealing. [40.] Three prisoners tried : two acquitted and one convicted.

[40.] ORDERS made etc.

John Topham, jun^r., of Norton in Luto, and Mich. Wilkinson of Kirklington, to be C. C^s. for Hallikeld *vice* Henry Gilling, gentⁿ., and

* An entry such as to provoke lengthened annotation were it not for the scantiness of space. Some of the details given on prison life and prison experiences of the current time are more than simply horrifying.

† See pp. 5 and 6, and the note there touching the case adverted to here.

‡ Another commentary on some of the practices of the times. If the minute is to be read according to the plain and grammatical sense of the language employed, the man is to be whipped, his "distemper" notwithstanding, at Richmond ; and, if not utterly prostrated by that infliction, again at Romaldkirk.

John Key, gent^a. ; Simon Thornton of Woodhall, gent^{n.}, to be C. C. for Hang West *vice* Anth. Fothergill ; a woman to be released out of the Ho. of Corr^{n.} and sent back to her husband ; [41^b.] £40 to be estreated for Pearch Bridge ; whereas Simon Thornton of Woodhall, gent^{n.}, was at these Sessions nominated and appointed C.C. for Hang West *vice* Anth. Fothergill : this Court upon a second consideration thinks fit to excuse the said Simon Thornton from that service at this time, and to appoint Will. Gibson of Lunnes to serve in the said office ; a gratuity allowed for a great loss sustained by fire ; £20 to be estreated for Wiske Bridge near Appleton ; [42.] whereas it was Ordered last Easter Sessions that the Parish Off^{rs.} of Elmire cum Crakell should pay 12d. per week to the Parish Off^{rs.} of Dalton towards the maintenance of their poor until they should shew cause etc., unto Sir Will. Frankland, and the said Sir Will. Frankland appointing a day for the hearing of both parties, and the Parish Off^{rs.} of Elmire cum Crakell not appearing to shew any cause why they should not pay the said sum, did Order that they should pay the said sum, with all arrears due since the making the said Order : this Court doth confirm the Order made by Sir Will. Frankland, and in case of refusal etc. ; [42^b.] the Parish Off^{rs.} of Milby to provide a convenient habitation for a poor woman ; the Overseers of Hayton to convey an apprentice to the city of Yorke to the Overseers of the parish of Belfrey's, who are to deliver him to his master ; the L. S. money in the several towns of Disforth, Rainton, Baldersby, and Aisenby to be for the future paid and collected, etc. by parishes according to Act of Parliament, and as the same hath been formerly paid, and not by Constableries, and the several Constables of the said towns to make restitution to the inhab^{ts.} of their several towns of the L. S. money by them received by way of Constabulary, the said inhab^{ts.} having paid it besides to the C. C^{s.} of Birdforth by parish ; [43.] £3. 6. 8. allowed towards loss by fire ; Sir Will. Chaytor, Rob. Wharton, Esq., and Geo. Smithson, Esq., having, in pursuance of an Order made the last Richmond Sessions, proportioned the towns of Barton, Eryholme, and Great Smeaton as followeth, upon improved rent : viz.—Barton at £900 per annum, Eryholme, at £600, and Great Smeaton at £620 : Ordered that in all ass^{ts.}, etc. for the future Barton shall pay after the rate of £45. 8. 8. per annum antient rent, Eryholme after the rate of £30. 5. 8. and Great Smeaton after the rate of £31. 5. 10 ; upon hearing the inhab^{ts.} of Wigginton and the inhab^{ts.} of Huttons Ambo concerning the regulating and ascertaining the true valuation of the said townships : Ordered that the said towns shall for the future in all ass^{ts.}, etc. be rated, etc. as they were in 1640, unless cause be shewed etc. ; [43^b.] Order in a bastardy case ; upon perusing the acc^{ts.} of Nich. Battersby and Rob. Wasse concerning the differences

betwixt the city of Yorke and wapentake of Bulmer, since Midsummer Sessions, it was found that they had disbursed £6. 17. 6. : upon which this Court doth Order that the said sum be estreated throughout the said wapentake and repaid to the said men ; £5 to be estreated for Eshall Bridge ; [44.] whereas Mr. Nicholson, Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ., was indebted to the North Riding £2. 10, upon his making it appear to this Court that he hath been at charge by his sonnes giving evidence at the Assizes, as also for buying several stone troughs and other implements for the use of the said House : Ordered that Mr. Rob. Bell, Thr^r., do allow him for his charges aforesaid 20s., and do also lend unto him £10, allowing the 30s. he owes as part and deducting out of his sallary 50s. quarterly, until the same be run out and satisfied ; Rob. Hutchinson of Spennythorne to be C. C. for Hang West *vice* Marm. Theakston, gentⁿ. ; [44^b.] £10 to be estreated for Ayton Bridge ; the L. S. money for the future to be paid by parishes throughout the whole North Riding as formerly it hath been paid, Allertonshire only excepted, which is to pay by Constableries until the Court do order the contrary ; [45.] £13. 6. 8. to be estreated for Ewre Bridge ; £10 for Bowe Bridge ; Mr. Leon. Robinson of Gillhall to be Surv^r. for Cathericke Bridge to see the twenty nobles formerly granted for its repair carefully disposed of, and to give an acc^t, etc. ; the Thr^s. to pay 20s. for the repair of Dalton Bridge ; Tho. Rookeby of Mortham, Esq., to pay his L. S. money and Hosp^{ls}. money to the parish of Rookeby as formerly ; £245 to be estreated for the rebuilding a wood* bridge

* There are two matters to be noted in connection with this Order, the one being the fact that a bridge is to be rebuilt of wood, and the other the very large sum allotted for the purpose. M. Jusserand (*English Wayfaring Life in the Middle Ages*) not only adverts, at p. 57, to the "poore bridge of tymber and no causey to come to it" which crossed the Avon at Stratford, and was superseded by a bridge of stone in the fifteenth century, but in his Appendix gives copy of a Petition relative to an old bridge of timber situate in the parish of Snaith in 1442, which is in itself so full of interest, and, besides that, abounds with such illustration of a number of entries inserted in the previous volumes of this series, that no apology for its reproduction here seems to be necessary :—"Unto the ryght wise and discrete comons of this present Parlement, besecheth mekely the comons off the countees of York, Lincoln, Notyngham, and Derby : That whereas ther is, and of longe tyme hath been, an usuall and a commune passage fro dyvers and many parties of the seid countees unto the citees of York, Hull, Hedon, Holdernes, Beverley, Barton, and Grymesby, and so forthe, by the hie see, by the costes unto London and elles where, with all maner of shippes charged with wolle, leed, stone, tymbre, vitaille, fewaille, and many other marchandises, by a streme called the Dike, in the countee of York, that dailey ebbith and floweth : over whiche strem ys made a bridge of tymbre called Turnbrigg, in the parishe of Snayth in the same countee, so low, so ner the strem, so narrow and so strayte in the archees, that ther is, and of long tyme hath been, a right perilous passage, and ofte tymes perishinge of dyvers shippes ; and atte every tyme of creteyne (increase, rising flood) and abundaunce of water, ther may no shippes passe under the seid brigge, by the space of half a yere or more, and also a grete partie of the countees

over the river Burne ; [45^b.] 40s. allowed as a gratuity towards repair of loss by fire ; upon hearing the debate betwixt the inhab^{ts}. of Upsland and the residue of the inhab^{ts}. of the Constabulary of Kirklington, touching their respective proportions in all manner of layes and ass^{ts}. : this Court doth declare it to be their sence that the owners and occupiers of lands in Upsland ought to be assessed according to the true and full yearly value of the said lands and not otherwise, any former custome to the contrary notwithstanding ; gratuities to nine L. S^s. and a soldier's widow.

[46^b.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 16, 1678.

Before Sir Jas. Pennyman, Tho. Pennyman, and Constable Bradshawe, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, July 31st.

Before Sir Jas. Pennyman, Tho. Pennyman, Edw. Trotter, Constable Bradshawe, and Tho. Worsley, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Whitby sailor for selling shoes made of calf-skin and sheep-skin mixed ; the same for engrossing shoes ; a Yarome man for practising a trade without legal apprenticeship ; a Wonbleton woman for scandalous words ; a case of forcible entry and assault ; the Constable of Raskelf for neglecting his office ; a Raskelf yeom^a. for harbouring vagrants etc. ; a watercourse stopped up ; an Easing-

to the seid ryver ajoynng, is yerely by the space of xx^t¹ myles and more surrownded, by cause of the lownes and straitenes of the said brigge, to the grete hurt and damage, as well to the kyng in his customes and subsidys, that shuld growe to him of the seid marchaundises chargeable with suche diverse, as to the seid shires, countees, cites and burghes, and the inhabitants of them . . . Please hit unto your right wise discretions, consideryng the premisses, to pray and beseche the kyng to graunte . . . that hit shall be lefuble to whatsumever person or persons of the seid shires, that will ate theire owne costages take away the seid brigge, and ther with and profites therof, and in other wise, new edifie and bilde another brigge there, lengere in lengthe by the quantite of v yerdes, called the kinges standard, and in hieght a yerd and a half by the same yerd hiegher then the seid brigge that stondes ther nowe, as well for passage of all maner shippes comyng thereto, and voydaunce of water under the seid brigge, as for passage of man, best, and carriage over the seid newe brigge so to be made, with a draght lef contenyng the space of iv fete called Paules fete in brede, for the voidyng thorugh of the mastes of the shippes passinge under the seid new brigge ; and that every shipmen that wol passe under the seid brigge with ther shippes, may laufully lifte up and close the seid lef att ther pleser ; and that the mayster of every shippe paie for every lifting of the seid lef 1d. to the lorde of the soille for the tyme beyng." It may be added that the royal consent to the project was given in due course.

would grocer for scandalous words ; five firkiners for making butter firkins above the weight of 8 lbs. which could not contain 56 lbs. ; a farmer for selling butter underweight ; twelve farmers for selling butter mixed with old and corrupt butter ; five farmers for selling butter and not marking the exact weight of the firkins themselves upon the firkins in which it was sold ; four farmers for not stamping their initials upon their butter firkins ; a Scawton woman for seditious words : "The King of France is our king : I pray God he may get the victory this battle, and then I hope in God he will be in e're it be long, and the Protestant Ministers must be put forth of the churches and ours put in, and except all the Protestants will turne they must all be killed, and the King also must be killed except he will turne." To which another woman responded, " Many will lye on the ground before that come about," and the aforesaid woman continued : " The King is nothing to us, the Queen is ; the King is a Protestant in outward show, and a Catholick in his heart " ;* a case of stealing.

* By reference to the date of this Sessions it will be seen that it was held not only in the year, but in reality only two or three weeks before the discovery of the alleged Popish Plot, with which the name of Titus Oates is indissolubly united. The position of affairs and the general tone of men's feelings is well displayed in the following extract from Green's "History of the English People," iii. 417 :— "Charles was uneasy at the appearance of the French on the Flemish coast. He allowed the Earl of Danby, therefore, to press on both parties in the State the necessity for mutual concessions, and to define the new attitude of England by reviving the project for a match between the Princess Mary and William of Orange, and the marriage took place on William's visit to England in September. With the country the match was popular as a Protestant match, and as ensuring a Protestant succession to James. But Lewis was bitterly angered ; he rejected the English propositions of peace and again sent his army into the field. Danby was ready to accept the challenge. The withdrawal of the English ambassador from Paris was followed in 1678 by a warlike speech from the throne in the assembled Parliament, which was answered by a warlike address from the House ; and large supplies were voted and an army raised. But the actual declaration of war still failed to appear ; indeed, Charles was in heart still as disinclined for war as ever. While Danby threatened France the King was busy turning the threat to his own profit, and gaining time by prorogations for a series of base negotiations. At one stage he demanded from Lewis a fresh pension for the next three years as the price of his good offices with the allies. A force of three thousand English soldiers was landed at Ostend ; but the allies were already broken by their suspicions of the King's real policy, and Charles soon agreed for a fresh pension to recall the brigade. The bargain was hardly struck when Lewis withdrew the terms of peace he had himself offered, and on the faith of which England had ostensibly retired from the scene. Once more Danby offered aid to the allies. But all faith in England had now disappeared. One hostile power after another gave assent to the new conditions laid down by France, and though Holland, the original cause of the war, was saved, the Peace of Nimegwen in July, 1678, made Lewis the arbiter of Europe. Disgraceful as the peace was to England, it left Charles the master of a force of 20,000 men levied for a war he had refused to declare. It left him too with nearly a million of French money in his pocket. His course had roused into fresh life the

[53^b.] ORDERS made etc.

£9. 3. to be estreated upon the wapentake of Bulmer for reimbursing Mr. Nich. Battersby and Rob. Wasse the charges by them laid out since the last Sessions concerning a difference betwixt the citizens of Yorke and the inhab'ts. of Bulmer; [54.] an idle rogue to be whipped and sent to his home; the Thr'. to pay £5 for the repair of Bense Bridge; the Scawton woman indicted for seditious words, and upon her submission to the said indictment fined 40s., committed to the goale until she pay the said sum; two Ayton farmers having complained that for some years they have been unreasonably taxed, etc., by the parishioners of Ayton for their lands: Ordered that for the future they shall be assessed according to the true valuation and yearly rent of the lands they there hold proportionably to the rest of the parish; gratuities to five L. S. and to two soldiers' widows.

[56.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 23, 1678.

Before Sir Will. Chaytor and Sir Joseph Cradocke. And, by adjournment, August 6th.

Before Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Jos. Cradocke, Tho. Metcalfe, Humfrey Wharton, Roger Beckwith, Rob. Wharton, Jas. Clayton, sen'r., Geo. Smithson, and John Wilson, Esquires.

old suspicions of his perfidy and of a secret plot with Lewis for the ruin of English freedom and of English religion. That there was such a plot we know, and from the moment of the treaty of Dover the hopes of the Catholic party had mounted even faster than the panic of the Protestants. But they had been bitterly disappointed by the King's sudden withdrawal from the prosecution of his schemes after his four years ineffectual struggle, and roused to wild anger by his seeming return to the policy of Clarendon. Their anger and disappointment were revealed in the letters from English Jesuits, which were afterwards to play so fatal a part in begetting a belief in the plot, and in the correspondence of Coleman. Coleman was secretary to the Duchess of York and a busy intriguer, who had gained sufficient knowledge of the real plans of the King and of his brother to warrant him in begging money from Lewis for the work of saving Catholic interests from Danby's hostility by intrigues in the Parliament. A passage from one of his letters gives us a glimpse of the wild dreams which were stirring among the hotter Catholics of the time. 'They had a mighty work on their hands,' he wrote, 'no less than the conversion of three kingdoms, and by that perhaps the utter subduing of a pestilent heresy which had so long domineered over a great part of the northern world. Success would give the greatest blow to the Protestant religion that it had received since its birth.' But while the despair of the Catholic party was unknown, their previous attitude of confidence had stirred suspicions in the public mind which mounted into alarm when the Peace of Nimegwen suddenly left Charles master—as it seemed—of the position, and it was of this general panic that one of the vile impostors, who are always thrown to the surface at times of great public agitation, was ready to take advantage by the invention of a Popish Plot." The merest perusal of the entry, on which this is an annotation, is quite sufficient to help us to see the absolute pertinency of all this.

High Sheriff, etc. as before.

Presentments:—Two Bellerby yeomⁿ. for driving away sheep and impounding them; a Hudswell woman for keeping a common alehouse without license; a Cotherston yeomⁿ. for forging a warrant; two cases of assault; two cases of trespass with damage; two cases of non-repair of highways; one case of non-repair of fences; a case of stealing. [59.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[59^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The 12d. weekly formerly granted to a South Otterington man reduced to 6d. until he shall make it appear that he defers more to this Court; Mich. Wilkinson of Kirklington sworn C. C. for Hallikeld *vice* John Key; [60.] the inhab^{ts}. of Pickall cum Roakesby to deliver a child and a bond taken by them from the inhab^{ts}. of Great Smeaton for securing them from any charge that might accrue by their keeping the said child, the inhab^{ts}. of Great Smeaton upon receiving the said child and bond giving the inhab^{ts}. of Pickall cum Roakesby bond that the said child for the future shall not be any way chargeable to them; a Whiteyside man who was formerly ordered to pay his mother 20s. per annum for her relief to pay her all the arrears thereof, and in future to pay her in lieu of 20s. per annum, 6d. per week; [60^b.] Will. Gibson, gentⁿ., and Rob. Hutchinson, gentⁿ., sworn C. C^s. for Hang West *vice* Anth. Fothergill and Marm. Theakston; John Topham, jun^r., of Norton-in-the-Clay, sworn C. C. of Hallikeld *vice* Henry Gilling, gentⁿ.; [61.] whereas it was crediblie reported that the public bridge over the river Lune leading out of Cumberland and Westmerland into Yorkshire and the Bishoprick of Durham, which hath always been repaired by the country, by a late violent flood the groundwork of the landstalls* on the south side of it is so decayed that unless speedy course be taken to repair it before another flood the said bridge will be totally ruined which will be a vast charge, for preventing of which this Court doth Order the Th^r. for Richmond to borrow £20 and pay it to the Surv^r. appointed, who is to get the said bridge surveyed by able workmen, and to report what will be further required for its repair; [61^b.] the Th^r. for Richmondshire to pay a gratuity of 10s. to an old decayed gentleman; a dispute about a highway referred to two Justices; [62.] Order in a bastardy case; whereas it was formerly Ordered that the Constable of Cotherston should have a deputy, and now it being made appear that since the making the said Order the inhab^{ts}. of the said Constabliery have suffered several great wrongs and injuries by the said deputy, and that the having such a deputy is contrary to their

* See Vol. III. 34, 35, and notes. The *land-stall* is probably identical with *land-stare* or *land-staith*.

custom and without the privity or desire of all the best inhab^{ts}. : Ordered that the said former Order be null'd and made void and that for the future the Constabulary of Cotherston shall only have a sworn Constable without any sworn deputy to assist him ; the Thir^r. for Richmondshire to pay a Cleasby woman only 20s. for this quarter for the maintenance of a child and the Order formerly made for the payment of £4 per annum to be null'd and voy'd, and the Parish Off^r. of Cleasby to put out the said child as an apprentice ; [62^b.] Mr. John Thwaites having made oath that he served Tho. Smith of Masham with an Order whereby he was required to appear to take upon him the office of C. C. for Hang East *vice* the said John Thwaites, but the said Tho. Smith disobeying the said Order : Ordered that he be conveened before the next J. P. to be sworn C. C. for the said wapentake within a fortnight after the date hereof, and in case of refusal etc. ; gratuities to four L. S^s.

[62^b.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 8, 1678.

Before Sir Rich. Grahme of Nunington, Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Will. Chaytor, Will. Wyvell, Roger Beckwith, and Constable Bradshawe, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Sandsend gentⁿ. for taking upon him to intermeddle with the office of a gauger ; the Constable of Thoraldby for neglecting his office ; a Great Broughton yeomⁿ. for keeping a disorderly alehouse ; a Whitby cooper for making butter firkins of green and unseasoned timber ; two cases of stealing ; a case of assault and illegal arrest ; eight cases of extortion by the Common Informer ; five gentⁿ. and three women for conspiring to lower the price of butter on a market-day at Whitby and promising each other not to give more than 12s. a firkin. [66.] One prisoner tried and acquitted.

[66^b.] ORDERS made etc.

John Burnet of Theakston excused of the fine imposed on him the last Richmond Sessions for not appearing to serve upon the Grand Jury ; a gratuity of £10 for Caram Bridge ; John Marsingale of Newholme to be C. C. for Whitby Strand *vice* John Jackson, late deceased ; Geo. Fothergill of Aiskew to be C. C. for Hang East *vice* Chr. Jefferson ; [67.] £8 to be estreated for Scawton Bridge ; [67^b.] Order in a bastardy case : Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. of West Rownton shall for all their lands in the said Constabulary pay in all ass^t., etc. by pound rent ; the

L. S. money for this Riding to be paid for the future by parishes as formerly ; a gratuity of £20 for the repairing and building up an arch to Buttercrambe Bridge ; [68.] £45 to be estreated for Lune Bridge ; a gratuity of £13 to be paid for Coverham Bridge ; the award of Sir Will. Chaytor and Geo. Smithson, Esq., in the dispute about the repair of the highway between Darlington and Richmond confirmed by the Court ; [68^b.] a gratuity of £4 for Dalton Bridge ; whereas a late prisoner at the Castle of Yorke (intending to take the benefit of the Act for the relief of prisoners for debt) did before two Justices take the oath directed by the said Act, which oath at these Sessions hath been disproved : this Court doth remand him to the gaole ; whereas complaint hath been made by the inhab^{ts}. of the hamlet of Thorrowby (Thoraldby) that it was formerly Ordered that they should pay 20s. yearly towards the maintenance of the poor of Stoxley (they being overcharged) and the said inhab^{ts}. alledging that they ought not to contribute to the poor of Stoxley : Ordered, upon a full hearing of both parties, that the said former Order be ratified and confirmed and for the future established ; [69.] upon complaint made by the inhab^{ts}. of Cotherston that the said town is not above a third part of the Constabulary, and that they have but one Constable for the whole, who by reason thereof is put to great slavery and inconvenience for want of a deputy Constable : Ordered that for the future there shall yearly be a deputy Constable sworn for Gillup, a hamlet within the said Constabulary ; £100 to be estreated upon the goods of the inhab^{ts}. of New Malton for not repairing the pavement in the said town ; [69^b.] John Browne of Holme and Jas. Wasse of Romanby, gentⁿ., to be C. C^s. for Allertonshire *vice* Oughtred Hasle and Anth. Metcalfe, gentⁿ. ; the townships of Huttons Ambo and Wigginton to be rated as they were in 1640 until the next Sessions, when the inhab^{ts}. of the said townships are to appear for the finall ascertaining the said rates, and to bring what evidence they can for that purpose ; [70.] Ordered that four prisoners for debt be set at liberty, if for no other cause deteyned, provided that this Order shall not extend to discharge them from any arrest heretofore or hereafter to be made upon them for any other cause or matter ; gratuities to two L. S^s. ; signed Will. Chaytor, Roger Beckwith.

[70^b.] BEEDALL.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, October 22, 1678.

Before Will. Wyvill, Roger Beckwith, Rob. Wharton, Jas. Clayton, and John Wilson, Esquires.

Upon hearing the petition of a prisoner for debt, setting forth that

by the opposition of some malitious persons at last Thirske Sessions, he was taken from the said Sessions before he had made what proofe he had there ready in order to his discharge, and for several other reasons given to this Court upon oath, it is Ordered that his witnesses and the cause of his imprisonment be heard at the next adjournment of these Sessions at the Castle of Yorke.

[71.] YORKE CASTLE.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, November 28, 1678.

Before Sir Watkinson Paylor, Sir Geo. Marwood, Roger Beckwith, Henry Marwood, Tho. Hesletine, Will. Metcalfe, and Tho. Worsley, Esquires.

Two carpenters and two bricklayers to view the decayes in the gaole at Yorke Castle and to make their report thereof at the next Sessions, and also to give an estimate of what sum of money may be requisite for the repair thereof.

[72.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 14, 167 $\frac{8}{9}$.

Before Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Barrington Bourchier, Will. Cayley, and Tho. Worsley, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Rich. Shuttleworth, Esq.: John Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments:—A Whitby sailor for assaulting the Deputy Bailiff in the execution of his office; a Raskelf yeomⁿ. for stopping up a highway, and for not repairing a gate; a Clerk of Kingston-upon-Hull for refusal to pay ass^{ts}.; three cases of assault; three cases of stealing; eight cases of non-repair of highways. [76.] Two prisoners tried: one acquitted and one convicted.

[76^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Nath. Harrison of New Malton to be C. C. for the East Division of Rydale *vice* Mr. James Hebden; 50s. allowed for a loss by fire; a vagrant to be sent by a testimonial to Battell in Sussex near Hastings; [77.] 10s. to be paid to a poor boy towards the charge he hath been at in prosecuting a felon; the occupiers of the land called Sheriff Hutton Parke to pay in all ass^{ts}., etc., according to the improved rent, and as the rest of the inhab^{ts}. of Sheriff Hutton do now usually pay for the rest of their lands in the said Constabulary, unless they shew cause etc.; a pension of 20s. to a L. S.

[78.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment at, January 21, 167⁸.

Before Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Jos. Cradocke, Humfrey Wharton, Will. Robinson of Rookeby, Will. Wyvell, Tho. Cradocke, Roger Beckwith, Rob. Wharton, Jas. Clayton, sen^r., Geo. Smithson, and John Wilson, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The Constables of Arkengarthdale and Reeth for neglecting their office ; the Overseers of Barton for the like ; a Scorton lab^r. and his wife for forcible entry on the common pinfold ; Will. Norton of Sawley for assault on the Churchwardens of Beedall and for rescue of two cows seized by a warrant from John Wilson, Esq., for levying £5 of the goods of Tho. Norton, late deceased, and buried in Beedall parish church, no certificate having been made to the Rector of Beedall within eight days after the interment that the said Thomas was buried in wool, according to the statute lately made etc. ;* four men and four women for hearing mass at Grinton on two occasions ; two cases of stealing ; six cases of assault ; two cases of non-repair of fences ; two of non-repair of highways ; a highway stopped up ; a case of trespass with damage. [82^b.] Two prisoners tried : one acquitted and the other convicted.

[83.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas the inhab^{ts}. of West Tanfeild have petitioned this Court that there is above twenty lame and blind persons in the parish that are more necessitous than a certain woman and have no allowance but

* Notices of the observance of this Act abound in the Parish Registers. In my own, for instance, a person buried on August 30th in this year is entered in the customary way ; but all which follow, without an exception, I think, down to 1700, have suffixed to them the words, “secundum Actum, in Lanea,” or some equivalent. The following extract will serve to explain the passing of such an Act: “Under the Stuarts and during the Commonwealth, both branches of the woollen trade were almost constantly depressed. There were frequent disputes between the Merchants Adventurers and the ‘interloping’ merchants, of which advantage was repeatedly taken during the civil wars for the raising of loans, to be repaid (at least in part) only by the enlargement or confirmation of privileges for exclusive trading. Under the Restoration, the merchants of Exeter petitioned Parliament against the continuance of the privileges of the Adventurers. They stated that, by the restraints recently put upon them, the woollen trade of Devonshire had greatly fallen off. The reply of the Company alleged that the decline of the woollen and worsted trade was solely owing to the want of vent abroad, and that, of their last year’s shipments, they had then lying in their warehouses at Hamburgh, unsold, not less than 14,000 stuffs, besides other fabrics, ‘to the amount of near 30,000 cloths.’ To such an extent had the growth of the continental manufactures, together with an unwise policy at home, affected the market for English goods” (Encyc. Brit. xxi. 916).

the alms of the parishioners, and if they had it would utterly undo the inhab'ts. to pay it : Ordered that the business be referred to three Justices to determine whether the said woman shall have the weekly allowance formerly ordered continued to her or not ; Geo. Fothergill of Aiskew, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Hang East *vice* Chr. Jefferson ; a gratuity of 20s. to a L. S. ; [83^b.] John Browne of Holme and Jas. Wasse of Romanby, gentⁿ., sworn C. C^s. for Allertonshire *vice* Oughtred Hasle and Anth. Metcalfe, gentⁿ.; the warrant against Jas. Wasse of Romanby for disobeying a former Order to take the office of C. C. upon him to be superseded ; the difference between a Romanby widow and the Overseers and inhab'ts. there referred to a J. P. ; Roger Beckwith, Esq., to examine the disbursements of the Surv^rs. for Burne Bridge, and the money found remaining in their hands to be paid to the Thr^r. ; a gentⁿ. committed to the gaol for speaking treasonous words.

[84^b.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, February 18, 167⁸.

Before Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Jos. Cradocke, Sir Humfrey Wharton, Will. Robinson of Rookeby, Roger Beckwith, Jas. Clayton, Geo. Smithson, and John Wilson, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A case of assault.

[85.] ORDERS made etc.

£5 allowed for loss by fire ; Edw. Saltmarsh of Newby Wiske, Esq., did at these Sessions refuse to take the oath of supremacy ; [85^b.] Edw. Birbecke of Carleton, gentⁿ., Anth. Metcalfe of Barningham, gentⁿ., Geo. Meynill of Dalton, Esq., Trinian Anderson of Gailes, gentⁿ., Fr. Tunstall of Wycliffe, Esq., Geo. Allen of Whashton, gentⁿ., Rob. Wilson and Will. Hildreth of Manfeild, gentⁿ., Anchotellus Bulmer of Middleton Tyas, gentⁿ., John Dawson of Kneeton, yeomⁿ., Fr. Binkes of Aiskew, gentⁿ., Fr. Tunstall of Barningham, gentⁿ., Sir John Lawson of Burgh, Mary Waite of Laborne, widow, Henry Lomas of Grinton, gentⁿ., John Lambert of Askrig, gentⁿ., Roger Meynill, Esq., Peter Middleton, of North Kilvington, Esq., Tho. Metcalfe of Otterington, gentⁿ., Anth. Danby of Leake, Esq., Jas. Thornton of Beedall, gentⁿ., and Katherine Wilson of West Layton, committed to gaole for refusing to take the oathes of allegiance and supremacy.*

* It is scarcely fitting to pass over this entry without something in the way of detailed notice. Mention has been made in a previous note of the Popish Plot so-

[86^b.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 29, 1679.

Before Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Barrington Bourchier, Roger Beckwith, Henry Marwood, Will. Cayley, Rob. Wharton, Geo. Smithson, Constable Bradshawe, John Wilson, and Tho. Worsley, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—Three yeomⁿ. and a lab^r. for riotous and unlawful

called, and Oates' connection with it. It will be remembered that he had been "received into Jesuit houses at Valladolid and St. Omer. While he remained there he learnt the fact of a secret meeting of the Jesuits in London, which was probably nothing but the usual congregation of the Order, and on his expulsion for misconduct, this single fact widened in his fertile brain into a plot for the subversion of Protestantism and the death of the King. His story was laid before Charles in the August of 1678 and received, as was natural enough, with the cool incredulity of one who knew what plot there really had been ; but Oates made affidavit of its truth before a London magistrate, Sir Edmondsbury Godfrey, and at last managed to appear before the Council. He declared that he had been trusted with letters which disclosed the Jesuit plans. They were stirring rebellion in Ireland ; in Scotland they disguised themselves as Cameronians ; in England their aim was to assassinate the King, and to leave the throne open to the Papist Duke of York." But the extracts from the Jesuit letters which he produced did not bear out his assertions, and he "would have been dismissed with contempt but for the seizure of Coleman's correspondence. The letters of this intriguer, believed as he was to be in the confidence of the Duke of York, gave a new colour to the plot. Danby himself, conscious of the truth that there really were designs which Charles dared not avow, was shaken in his rejection of the disclosures, and inclined to use them as weapons to check the King in his Catholic Policy." But there was no need to try and "heighten the popular frenzy from the moment when Sir Edmondsbury Godfrey was found in a field near London with his sword run through his heart. His death was assumed to be murder, and the murder to be an attempt to 'stifle the plot.' . . . Fresh depositions were soon made, in which Oates charged five Catholic peers with part in the Jesuit conspiracy. They were sent to the Tower, and two thousand suspected persons were hurried to prison. The trainbands were called to arms, and patrols paraded through the streets to guard against the Catholic rising which Oates declared to be at hand . . The plot, which had been supported for four months by the sole evidence of Oates, began to hang fire at the opening of 1679 ; but a promise of reward brought forward a villain named Bedloe with tales beside which those of Oates seemed tame. The two informers were pressed forward by an infamous rivalry to stranger and stranger revelations. Bedloe swore to the existence of a plot for the landing of a Catholic army and a general massacre of the Protestants. Oates capped the revelations of Bedloe by charging the Queen herself at the bar of the Lords with knowledge of the plot to murder her husband. Monstrous as such charges were, they revived the waning frenzy of the people and of the two houses. The peers under arrest were ordered to be impeached. A new proclamation enjoined the arrest of every Catholic in the realm. A series of judicial murders began with the trial and execution of Coleman, which even now can only be remembered with horror " (Green, III. 421-424). The "new proclamation," it is apparent, was not without its effects in North Yorkshire.

assembly and forcible entry ; a woman of Well for scandalous words ; an Easby yeomⁿ. for lending money on usury on two occasions ; a Laborne man for not repairing his fences ; two cases of assault ; a case of trespass with damage ; a case of stealing ; seventeen cases of non-repair of highways and bridges.

[96^b.] ORDERS made etc.

£12 to be estreated for Hardrawe Bridge ; £20 for Sinnington Bridge ; 30s. allowed for a loss by fire ; a recog^{ce}. respited till the next Sessions, the man bound having made oath that he is not able to come to these Sessions without danger of his life ; [97.] the inhab^{ts}. of Kirby Wiske to be assessed in all ass^{ts}, etc., for the future, according to the yearly valuation of their estates and not otherwise ; the sum of £11 1s. remaining in the hands of the Surv^{rs}. for Burne Bridge to be paid to Roger Beckwith to be further laid out about the said bridge as occasion shall require ; £10 to be estreated for repairing that part of Ripon North Bridge which belongs to the North Riding ; £13. 7. 4. to be estreated for reimbursing the moneys expended in repairing the walls on each side of the way leading into Yorke Castle ; £4 to be paid by the Thr^{rs}. as a gratuity for building a bridge over Gillbecke ; [97^b.] forasmuch as Ralph Craythorne, Esq., Marg^t. his wife, and Anne wife of Ralph Craythorne, jun^r., are not able to appear at these Sessions : Ordered that their recog^{ces}. be respited until next Sessions, and in the meantime if they repair before two Justices and take the oath of allegiance they are to be discharged of their recog^{ces}. at the next Sessions ; like orders for John Meynill of Little Broughton, gentⁿ., and for Isabell Monday of Rivalx ; Jane wife of Tho. Askew of Dinsdale, gentⁿ., and Mary and Anne, his daughters, to be discharged of their recog^{ces}. for recusancy upon paying their due fees ; [98.] £10 to be estreated as a gratuity for Pickering Bridge, to which sum the inhab^{ts}. of Pickering are to add the sum of £20 ; warrants to be issued against all the Recusants that were bound over by recog^{ces}. and did not appear at these Sessions, and the same to be sent to the respective C. C^s., who are to give notice to the several Recusants therein mentioned, within their wapentakes, to appear etc. ; Nath. Harrison of New Malton, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Rydale *vice* Mr. Jas. Hebden ; whereas several gratuities have been formerly granted for the repair of Robin Hood Bay Bridge, it being pretended to the Court to be a country bridge, but since, upon examination, it appears to have been heretofore repaired by the inhab^{ts}. there : Ordered that for the future no gratuities be granted for the repair of the said bridge ; Order in a bastardy case ; [99.] upon hearing the debate between the inhab^{ts}. of Wigginton and those of Huttons Ambo, and the councell on both sides, touching the

ascertaining of the rates of the said townships, which difference was referred to these Sessions here to be absolutely concluded for the future: Ordered that the said townships shall for the future in all manner of ass^{ts}., etc., be rated, etc., as in the year 1640; £5 to be estreated upon the inhab^{ts}. of the wapentake of Bulmer for re-imbursing Nich. Battersby, gentⁿ., and Rob. Wasse the charges by them expended in managing a certain suite between the inhab^{ts}. of the city of Yorke and the inhab^{ts}. of the said wapentake; [99^b.] upon hearing the debate between the inhab^{ts}. of Stitnani and those of Cornbrough: Ordered that the said townships be assessed for the future as they were in the year 1640; the Thr^r. to pay £3 as a gratuity to John Reeves, late of Whitby, towards his charges at the assizes in prosecuting Nich. Posgate,* by him apprehended and taken, and upon his prosecution

* The occurrence of this entry introduces to our notice a case of what Mr. Green stigmatises as “judicial murder” fully as atrocious, and to be “remembered” with fully as much “horror” as any of those adverted to in the previous note derived from the historian named. He (Postgate) was a very old man, turned of eighty-two, I believe, and had been exposed to many hardships during his imprisonment at, and journey to, York, where he suffered; and his natural force was insufficient to enable him to mount the scaffold; and the story that is told of his patience, steadfastness, and unflinching resolution in the midst of, and in spite of, his physical prostration, is one of the most touching I remember. There were many legends—as they might almost be called—current touching him, and his connection with the district, in divers parts of it, even so lately as forty or forty-five years ago; and I have once and again had houses pointed out to me as among those he had been wont to officiate in on occasion. The best and most authentic account of the transaction that can be given, perhaps, is that which is found in “Dépositions from York Castle,” S. S., text and notes:—“Dec. 9, 1678. At Brompton, before Sir Will. Cayley and Will. Cayley, jun^r., Esq., John Reeves, his Majestie’s surveyor or gauger for the town of Whitby, saith,” that from information received he went to search the house of Matheu Lith of Sleights, and “there did finde a supposed Popish preist, called Postgate, and alsoe Popish booke, relicks, wafers and severall other thinges, all which the said Postgate owned to be his. . . . Nicholas Postgate, about the age of fourscore years, saith that about forty years since he lived at Saxton with the Lady Hungate, untill she dyed. And since he hath lived with the old Lady Dunbar, but how long it is since, he knoweth not. Of late he hath had noe certain residence, but hath travailed about among his friends. Being demanded whether he be a Popish priest or noe, he saith ‘Let them prove it,’ and would give noe other direct answer. Being demanded how he came by, and what use he made of, the booke, wafers, and other things which were found with him, and which hee owned, he saith that some of them were given him by Mr. Goodricke, a Roman Catholike, and other some by one Mr. Jowsie, a supposed Romish priest, both of which are dead; and that he made use of them by disposing them to severall persons who desired them for helping their infirmities.” So far the text. Among the comments in the form of notes, are what follows:—“He (Postgate) was condemned to death at the York Assizes, and was actually hanged, drawn, and quartered. Two of the witnesses depose that Postgate was a reputed priest, and two women of Whitby, who had become Protestants, depose that they heard Postgate say mass, at John Hodgson’s at Biggin House, near Ugthorpe, at Thomas Pattinson’s at Ugthorpe, and at Timothy Lyth’s near Grosmont Bridge. The following account of Postgate’s death

there found guilty of being a Popish preist ; [100.] Ordered that the Sessions be adjourned from Thirske to Northallerton, and from thence to Richmond, and that once every three years for the future the Sessions be holden at Northallerton aforesaid ; [100^b.] whereas Tho. Nicholson, gent^a., Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske, is grown old and infirm, by reason of which many prisoners committed to the said House to be punished have lately made their escape to the great encouragement of lewdness and roguery : Ordered that the said Tho. Nicholson do make his acc^{ts}. at the next Sessions so that another may be there chosen in his place ; gratuities to three L. S. and to two soldiers' widows.

[101.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions at, July 15, 1679.

Before Sir Metcalfe Robinson, Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Chaytor, Henry Marwood, Will. Cayley, Will. Metcalfe, Constable Bradshawe, John Wilson, and Tho. Worsley, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Kirbymoorside tanner for refusal to pay ass^{ts}. ; the common informer for extortion ; a watercourse stopped up ; a case of trespass with damage ; five cases of stealing ; three cases of assault ; eight farmers for selling old and corrupt butter ; a farmer for selling butter under weight ; five farmers for selling butter and not stamping

is taken from Chaloner's " Memoirs of the Missionary Priests." The day allotted for his triumphant exit was the 7th August, 1679, on which day, in the morning, amongst other visitors, went to see him Mrs. Fairfax, wife to Mr. Charles Fairfax of York, and Mrs. Meynel of Kilvington. These ladies having done their devotions, went together to his room to take their last leave of him and to crave his blessing. The confessor seeing them in great concern, whereas he was cheerful, came up to them, and laying his right hand upon the one and his left upon the other, they being both at that time big with child, he spoke these words to them : ' Be of good heart, children, you shall both be delivered of sons, and they will both be saved.' Immediately after he was laid upon a sledge and drawn through the streete to the place of execution, where he suffered with great constancy. The two ladies were soon after brought to bed of sons, who were both baptized, and both died in their infancy. He was executed according to sentence : his quartered body was given to his friends and interred. One of his hands is preserved in Douay College. An inscription on a copper plate, with details of life, services, and death was placed in his coffin with his remains." . . . Then there is added " The unhappy Reeves who apprehended him, never had the £20 reward which he looked for ; but after having suffered for some time an extreme torture in body and mind, was found drowned in a small brook." How far this may be historical we are not in a position to decide. That he obtained the gratuity named in the text is indisputable.

the weight of the firkins themselves upon the firkins in which it was sold ; a farmer for not branding his initials on his butter firkins. [105.] One prisoner tried and convicted.

ORDERS made etc.

Sir Rich. Grahme having ordered that the town of Romanby should not for the future pay any weekly allowance unto a certain widow there or be further chargeable with her than the providing her a stocke : the said Order to be conclusive and binding, all Orders to the contrary notwithstanding ; [105^b.] forasmuch as £10 was estreated for the repair of the north end of a certain bridge called the North Bridge which was pretended to belong to this Riding, but this Court upon further examination being fully satisfied that the said North Bridge doth stand within the West Riding and in the liberty of Ripon, and that the North Riding is not chargeable to repair any part of the said bridge : Ordered that the said sum be paid proportionably to the Thrs. to remain in their hands until this Court shall order how the same shall be disposed of ; the difference betwixt a Redcar man and his apprentice concerning his departing from his apprenticeship referred to three Justices ; the Thrs. to pay 5s. to five soldiers lately disbanded out of the Duke of Monmoth's Regiment,* towards their assistance and relief in their return to the places of their last legal settlement ; [106.] Mr. John Johnson of Thornton and Mr. Rob. Harrison, sen^r., of Kirke Leatham, to be C. C.^s. for Langbarugh *vice* Mr. Rob. Potter and Mr. Tho. Agar ; £5 and 20s. allowed for losses by fire ; [106^b.] forasmuch

* Very early in 1678 Charles formed a treaty with Holland, by which he engaged to withdraw the English auxiliaries from the French Army (Annals of England, p. 475). They were about 8,000 strong, and were commanded by the Duke of Monmouth, John Churchill, afterwards Duke of Marlborough, serving among them. About 3,000 of these soldiers were then sent to Ostend, and Charles agreed for a fresh pension from the French King, to recall the brigade (Green, III. 418). The Peace of Nimeguen followed close on these steps. But Shaftesbury had already devised a plan, not only for setting aside the claims of the Duke of York and his children to the throne (including also that of William of Orange himself, as the late King's grandson), but besides for placing the Duke of Monmouth upon it. With this end in view, he brought the Duke into public notice by inducing the King to put him at the head of the troops sent to repress a rising of the extreme Covenanters which broke out at this moment in the western counties of Scotland. Monmouth showed courage in routing the insurgents at Bothwell Brig, June 22nd, as well as judgment in the mercy he showed after his victory (Green, *ut supra*). Referring to the date of this Sessions (or twenty-three days subsequent to the fight at Bothwell Brig), it seems impossible to suppose that the disbanded soldiers here mentioned could have been part of Monmouth's Scottish force, as also that, had they been, they should have been designated as having belonged to Monmouth's "regiment." It would seem to be certain that they must have belonged to the force (termed a "brigade") he commanded as mentioned above, and possibly part of those who had been sent into Flanders.

as it appears that the Surv^rs. for Bowe Bridge are out of purse £10. 3. 8, and yet the said bridge remains unrepaired : Ordered that the said sum and what they shall further disburse about the repairing of the said bridge shall be repaid unto them at the next Sessions ; Will. Cayley, Esq., to see that part of Yedingham Bridge which belongs to this Riding put in sufficient repair ; £5 to be estreated for Barker Bridge ; a Wasse man to have licence to go to every parish church and chapel within this Riding and (in the behalf of himself and his two poor neighbours) to aske and receive the charitable benevolence of well-disposed people towards the repair of their late great loss by a sad and lamentable fire ; whereas it was Ordered by three Justices that three men should pay for their farm in Danby Wiske only after the rate of £27 per annum rack rent, unless the parishioners of Danby should at the next Sessions at Northallerton shew reasonable cause etc., but the inhab^{ts}. of Danby shewing no cause at these Sessions the said Order to be confirmed ; gratuities to seventeen L. S., and two soldier's widows.

[108.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 22, 1679.

Before Sir Chr. Wyvill, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Jos. Cradocke, Humfrey Wharton, Tho. Cradocke, Roger Beckwith, Rob. Wharton, Jas. Clayton, sen^r., Geo. Smithson, and John Wilson, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Stappleton yeomⁿ. for not repairing his fences ; two Stappleton lab^{rs}. for chasing cattle ;* four Whiteyside yeomⁿ. for unlawful assembly and forcible entry ; a case of stealing ; a watercourse stopped up. [110^b.] A prisoner convicted and sentenced to be whipped.

* There is a curious matter involved here, as in many previous entries of presentments for "dogging sheep," chasing (or driving) cows, cattle, &c., in former volumes. The entries referred to, relatively to area, are not numerous, and the offence itself must have been, in those days, and under the system of land-tenure then prevailing, one of continual occurrence. The anomaly is apparent, but not so, at first sight, the explanation. And this depends on the circumstance that in a very great proportion of the total of cases, the offence, and the penalty with which it was visited, on conviction, were matters dealt with, so to speak, at home. Wherever the old Manorial Court continued to be held, and the ancient Jury of "Tenentes" to exist and exercise its functions and powers, then such trespasses as these were summarily dealt with, and the special "poena posita" in each case formally imposed and enforced. I have some hope of being able to adduce not a little illustrative matter bearing on this topic, by the time I am called upon to write the Introduction to the present volume.

[111.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas it appears to this Court by the petition of the inhab^{ts}. of Ainderby Steeple that they are overburthened and charged towards the maintenance of the poor within the said town, and that the town of Warlaby within the said parish hath few or none within it : Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. of Warlaby do contribute towards the maintenance of the poor of Ainderby Steeple according to the statute of the 43rd of Elizth.

[111^b.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 7, 1679.

Before Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Barrington Bourchier, Will. Cayley, Rob. Wharton, Constable Bradshawe, John Wilson, and Tho. Worsley, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Tholthorpe yeomⁿ. for assault and for impounding cattle ; a Laborne yeomⁿ. for not repairing his fences ; Lady Tindall, and a yeomⁿ. of Newby, for refusal to pay ass^{ts}. ; a Yarome man for using threats ; a Husthwaite yeomⁿ. for stopping a watercourse ; a Hemsley man for forcible entry on the common pinfold ; five cases of assault ; five cases of non-repair of highways ; one bridge not repaired ; a case of unlawful assembly and assault ; a case of forcible entry and illegal seizure ; a farmer for selling old butter ; three farmers for selling butter under weight ; two farmers for not branding their initials on their butter firkins ; three for not branding the weight of the firkins thereon ; four firkiners for making firkins above the weight of 8 lbs. which could not contain 56 lbs. of butter ; a hundred persons for keeping alehouses without licence. [119.] Three bills ignored.

ORDERS made etc.

£3 allowed for loss by fire ; John Johnson of Thornton, gentⁿ., Rob. Harrison of Kirkeleatham, gentⁿ., sworn C. C.^s. for Langbarugh vice Rob. Potter and Tho. Agar, gentⁿ. ; £29. 13. 10. to be estreated throughout the wapentake of Bulmer for the charges of suite and defending several controversies by Rob. Wasse and Nich. Battersby betwixt the inhab^{ts}. of the city of Yorke and the said wapentake ; [119^b.] 20s. each allowed to three persons for loss by fire ; the Parish Off^{rs}. of Milby to provide habitation for a man and for a woman who lately had their houses and goods burnt and consumed ; £20 to be estreated for Yedingham Bridge ; [120.] a Laborne man's recog^{ce}. to be estreated unless he pay 13s. 4d. costs to the gentleman who prose-

cutes against him ; whereas it hath been made appear unto this Court that Jas. Phillips of Great Broughton, under the color of an informer, hath committed several misdemeanours and received sums of money of several persons unlawfully : Ordered that the said Jas. Phillips be put down from being an informer, and that hereafter no informations be drawn in his name ; the inhab^{ts}. of Kirbymooreside to contribute to the repair of the highway at Kirby Milnes, unless they shew cause etc. ; Ordered that after the informations already exhibited by Mr. John Turner be discharged, he be supprest from being an informer, or exhibiting informations as a common informer until this Court do Order the contrary ; [120^b.] whereas £10 was granted as a gratuity for the repair of Carham Bridge and paid to the Surv^r., then appointed, since which the said Surv^r. (as the Court is informed) is dead, and nothing being done towards the repair of the said bridge, this Court doth Order that the relict of the said man shall within ten days after sight hereof appear before a J.P. and give him an acc^t. how the said sum hath been disposed of, and in case of refusal etc. ; [121.] whereas £4 was formerly granted for the repair of Gilbecke Bridge, and the Surv^r. having made it appear unto this Court that over and above the said sum he hath disbursed £3. 10. about the repair of the same : Ordered that the said sum of £3. 10. be estreated upon the several inhab^{ts}. of the Constableries of Aisgarth, Thornton Rust, Burton cum Walden, and Thoraldby cum membris, according to their several proportions in the Book of Rates, for re-imbur sing the said gentleman the moneys laid out as aforesaid ; gratuities of 15s., 20s. and of £2. 5. allowed for losses by fire ; Will. Angell of Terrington to be discharged of the fine imposed on him for not appearing to serve on the Grand Jury at the last Sessions at Thirske ; [121^b.] Chr. Hunter of Thornton to be C. C. for Pickering Lyth *vice* Rich. Allatson, gentⁿ. ; £6 to be estreated for Barker Bridge ; an additional sum of £60 to be estreated for Bowe Bridge ; upon hearing the debate between the inhab^{ts}. of Wigginton, Huttons Ambo, Stitnam and Cornebrough, and the councill on both sides, touching the ascertaining the rates of the said townships : Ordered that the said several townships shall against the next Sessions at Thirske provide themselves to bring in witnesses to prove the true valuation of the said several townships and the antient rates of the same, and whereas in the interim there will be two quarterly payments to be made : Ordered that the first quarterly payment be made according to an Order of this Court made in 1677 and the second quarterly payment according to an Order made in 1679, and that then, upon a full hearing of all parties, this Court make a conclusive and finall Order for settling the said rates ; Mr. Anth. Fothergill and Mr. Marm. Theakston, late C. C^s. of Hang West, to pay 17s. 1d. which was assessed

upon the said wapentake for Ayton Bridge to the Surv^{rs}. for the said bridge ; [122.] whereas the inhab^{ts}. of Kirby Sigston have petitioned this Court that they are sore charged with poor people, and that the Constableries of Winton, Sowerby, and the hamlet of Foxton, all within the parish of Kirby Sigston, have few or no poor within them, and that the inhab^{ts}. of Winton, Sowerby, and Foxton have formerly contributed to the relief of the poor of Kirby Sigston : Ordered that the said Constableries contribute to the relief of the poor of Kirby Sigston, and that the Parish Off^{rs}. of the said Constableries pay their several equal shares and proportions with the inhab^{ts}. of Kirby Sigston of the sum of £5. 15, which the Overseer of Sigston hath disbursed for several habitations for the poor there, unless they shew cause etc. ; the fine imposed upon John Meeke of Carleton Miniott for not appearing at Northallerton Sessions to serve on the Grand Jury to be remitted ; whereas the inhab^{ts}. of Stillington have petitioned this Court that in all public taxes, etc. they are very deeply taxed and that the inhab^{ts}. of Easingwould do pay their taxes, etc. at a much lower value : Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. of Easingwould shall upon notice of this Order appear at the next Sessions at Thirske to shew cause why they should not be rated according to the true valuation of their lands and Stillington eased ; [122^b.] Forasmuch as complaint hath been made unto us on the behalf of John Skelton, son of John Skelton, late of Northallerton, yeomⁿ., that he was bound an apprentice unto Geo. Morland of Whitby, taylor, by indenture dated Feby. 2, 1674, to serve as an apprentice in the trade and mystery of a taylor unto the end and term of seven years, and whereas afterwards the said John Skelton, Feby. 2, 1675, did by his indenture bind himself an apprentice unto Ralph Potter of Stoxley, glover, and after the manner of an apprentice to dwell with him from Feby. 2nd, 1675, for eight years, by which last recited indenture the said Geo. Morland did think himself aggrieved, and thereupon did complain, and before Constable Bradshawe, Esq. : It was agreed by and with the consent of all parties that the said Ralph Potter should keep his said apprentice, paying unto the said Geo. Morland £4. 15, and indentures to be delivered up upon procuring an Order for the discharge of the said apprentice from the said Geo. Morland, his first master : We therefore whose hands and seals are hereunto set, by and with the consent of the said parties, and for the reasons aforesaid, do therefore pronounce and declare that we have discharged the said John Skelton of and from his apprenticeship which he bound himself unto with the said Geo. Morland, and he is hereby discharged of and from the same, anything to the contrary notwithstanding : In witness whereof we have hereto set our hands and seals at the said Sessions, October 8, 1679, Tho. Pennyman, Will. Cayley, Constable

Bradshawe, Tho. Worsley; transcripts of the names of all those Popish Recusants who were formerly bound over to the Sessions and have not appeared according to the conditions of their several recog^{ces}. to be sent to the respective Justices within this Riding, that other security may be taken for their appearance at the next Sessions, and that in the mean time they keep the peace etc.; gratuities to two L. S^s. and two widows.

[123^b.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 13, 16⁷⁹₈₀.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, Constable Bradshawe, and Tho. Worsley, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Sir Tho. Daniell: John Storzaker, Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments:—A Kepwicke yeomⁿ. for scandalous words; a New Malton lab^r. for executing warrants from the County Court within the liberty of Whitby Strand without the permission of Sir Hugh Cholmley; a Thirske gentⁿ. for entering a house under colour of the office of a gager and taking away a rundlet of ale containing four gallons, and pouring the ale on the ground; a case of bastardy; a Kirby Mispton lab^r. for illegally impounding cattle; an apprentice for departing from his master, and his father for receiving him; the Constable of Nunnington for neglecting to execute his office; four Kirbymooreside men for making a Constable sesse unequally; two farmers for selling old butter; nine farmers for selling butter under weight; six farmers for not branding the weight of the empty firkins on their butter firkins; four farmers for not branding their initials on their butter firkins; three firkiners for making firkins above the weight of 8 lbs. which could not contain 56 lbs.; a case of trespass with damage; three cases of assault; two cases of stealing; a case of riotous and unlawful assembly and assault; three cases of non-repair of highways.

[130.] ORDERS made etc.

Mr. Rob. Bell, Thr^r., to pay 20s. to Mr. John Storzaker, Deputy Sheriff at these Sessions, formerly by him disbursed in carrying Will. Habin, Will. Winter and Rob. Hall (three Popish recusants) to gaole, being comit to him by three Justices for refusing the oath of allegiance, which being done after the Sessions would not have been allowed him in his acc^s. by the High Sheriff; whereas a Cawton woman, late deceased, hath left a son about eleven years of age, and the Overseers have not only taken care to pay her funeral charges but

also to provide for the said child since her death, and to put him to a trade, and there being some household goods left by her: Ordered that the Overseer be hereby empowered to enter upon all household goods left as aforesaid, and to sell or otherwise to dispose thereof as he shall think most expedient, for re-imburſing him the moneys laid out: Ordered that the several inhab^{ts}. of the town of West Rownton in all ass^{ts}., etc., shall pay for their several lands according to the true improved rent; [131.] £6 to be paid to John Gibson, Esq., to be by him equally distributed according to the best of his judgment to three Wombleton persons towards their great loss by fire; gratuities to six L. S^s. and four widows.

[132.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 20, 16⁷⁹₈₀.

Before Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Will. Chaytor, Humphrey Wharton, Tho. Cradocke, Rob. Wharton, Jas. Clayton, sen^r., Geo. Smithson, and John Wilson, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—An Ellerby lab^r. for forcible entry and illegal seizure; a West Witton lab^r. for shooting in a gun; the Constables of Aiskew and of Northallerton for neglecting their office; an Aiskew man for excessive distress; a Stapleton yeom^r. for not repairing his fences; a Stapleton lab^r. for forcible entry on the common pinfold; three cases of trespass with damage; two cases of stealing; a case of assault. [134^b.] Three prisoners tried: two convicted and the other acquitted.

[135.] ORDERS made etc.

Mr. Tho. Lightfoote to pay 10s. as a gratuity to John Raper for repaying him the moneys by him expended in bringing in witnesses against a man who was tried for murdering his wife at the last assizes and afterwards did suffer for the same; a warrant against the Parish Off^{rs}. of West Witton for neglecting their office; a boy to be acquit from his apprenticeship and commit to the Ho. of Corrⁿ.; whereas this Court is informed that the river of Burne was ready to leave the bridge called Burne Bridge (which is a country bridge), but that Roger Beckwith, Esq., J.P., and other of the adjoyning neighbours have taken care to make a weare* to keep the said river in its antient

* This entry is not without its value as giving a useful illustration of the essential meaning of the word *weir* or *wear*—or, as it is sometimes locally spelt, *ware*. Our usual acceptation of the word is in the sense of dam across a stream, whether for purposes of fishing, working a mill, or other. In the present instance, the difficulty to be obviated is the tendency of the stream to “leave the bridge”; in other words

channel, and they already are £20 out of purse, and must be at further expenses : Ordered that the whole disbursements about the same weare be referred to the next Sessions at Thirske, and the said Sessions there is hereby desired to peruse the acc'ts. of the Surv'r. of the said weare, and to re-imburse his disbursements, over and above £11. by him already received from Roger Beckwith, Esq., formerly granted by this Court; [136.] the inhab'ts. of Ainderby Whearnehowe to pay 6d. per week towards the relief of the poor of Holme (Holme-cum-Howgrave being overcharged with poor and Ainderby Whearnhowe having none), until they shew cause etc. ; the process against the inhab'ts. of Skeeby for the highway for which they stand indicted to be respited till next Sessions, and the dispute between the inhab'ts. of Skeeby and the Lady Yorke about the repair of the same to be referred to Rob. Wharton, Esq., and Geo. Smithson, Esq., who are to view the said highway and make their report which of the parties ought to repair it; 40s. to be imposed upon a Romanby man for not repairing a highway, and to be estreated against him if he repair not the same before the next Sessions ; [136^b.] a warrant against the Constable of Grinton for misdemeaning himself in the said office in demanding and receiving several sums of the inhab'ts., not shewing any lawful warrant ; the Overseers of Midleton Tyas to pay a very old blind man 2s. per week, it being the request and desire of the inhab'ts. of Midleton aforesaid ; gratuities to six L. S^s.

[137.] MIDDLEHAM.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, March 1, 16 $\frac{7}{8}$.

Before Tho. Metcalfe, Jas. Clayton, and John Wilson, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

ORDERS made etc.

Mr. Tho. Lightfoote, Thr', to pay an additional sum of £3. 10.

to find or make a new channel for itself. And obviously that tendency could not be counteracted by constructing a dam across the course of the river. But it might be, and successfully, by building a dam or strong bank along its bank at the point or points whereat its deviating disposition was manifesting itself. And here one of the definitions given by Halliwell of the "archaic" as well as "provincial" word to *were* or *weir*—"to guard, to protect, to defend," may obtain a moment's notice ; for that is precisely what is advanced by Prof. Skeat in his notice of the word *weir*—"the literal sense," he says, "is defence, hence a fence, dam," and he collates Icel. "*vörr*, a fenced-in landing-place, *ver*, a fishing-station ; Germ. *wehr*, a defence ; with the verb *wehren*, to defend, also to check, control, constrain." The object of the "weare" in the text was to control, and thereby to defend or protect. See the definition given of the object of the "weare" in an Order noted in the Minutes of the next succeeding Sessions.

unto Peter Hood, Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond, for buying of irons to secure his prisoners, and amend a sinke, and the doors, bolts, and locks about the gaole.

[137^b.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 20, 1680.

Before Sir Rich. Grahme of Nunington, Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Will. Chaytor, Tho. Metcalfe, Roger Beckwith, Will. Cayley, Geo. Smithson, Constable Bradshawe, John Wilson, and Tho. Worsley, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Hutton Conyers man for not repairing his fences ; an Easby yeomⁿ. for refusal to pay ass^{ts}. ; an Askrig yeomⁿ. for assault on the Constable ; four cases of assault ; three cases of stealing ; two cases of trespass with damage ; two watercourses stopped ; a case of extortion ; twelve cases of non-repair of highways ; two cases of non-repair of bridges. [146.] Four prisoners tried : two acquitted and two convicted.

[146^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thr^{rs}. to pay 10s. for repairing the batlement of Cathericke Bridge, being a countrey bridge ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay 30s. for the repair of Thirkleby Bridge ; whereas it appears to this Court upon the oaths of several antient persons noe way concerned that the inhab^{ts}. of Newsham-cum-Breckonbrough were formerly only chargeable to the making of a footebridge, commonly called Syke Bridge, in the Constablery of Newsham-cum-Breckonbrough, and in the common post road between Northallerton and Borrowbridge, and that now, by reason of the gorging* up of the rivers of Swale and Wiske to the said bridge upon

* On many previous occasions in the course of these North Riding Records the condition of the beds not only of the rivers named here, but of divers others besides, has been a matter obtruded on our notice rather than simply presented to our regard. Merely taking the spontaneous evidence afforded by a hundred different Presentments and Orders, it is apparent that no attention was paid to the rivers, in their capacity of carriers-off of superabundant water, except under compulsion, and that the compulsion put in force was, as of necessity, intermittent in its character, as well as perfunctory to a degree. The chronic state of the streams and rivers may be said almost without exaggeration to have been that of overflow, lasting through weeks and sometimes months, or else of divergence from their natural courses, or beds, by reason of the encumbering or filling up, whether more or less partial or more or less complete, of the latter. Some few of the readers of these pages may be able to remember more or less vividly what the state of the Pickering marishes used to be even down to and after the time of the horse-railway to Whitby. Such must have

any flood, it is made unpassable not only for posts, but for all other his Majesty's subjects travelling that way about their lawful occasions, to the great danger and prejudice of all travellers, upon the hearing of which, and that a horse-bridge may be of so much use and advantage to the country: Ordered that £20. be estreated as a gratuity for making a horse-bridge of stone at the place where formerly the said foot-bridge did stand, and that the inhab^{ts}. of Newsham-cum-Breckonbrough shall contribute and raise amongst them as much moneys as would have been sufficient for to have made the same a foot-bridge; [147.] £4. allowed for a loss by fire; £30. to be estreated for Yedingham Bridge; the Parish Off^{rs}. of Ainderby Steeple to pay 4d. weekly to a poor sickly creature who is troubled with the falling sickness; the sum of £15. 13. disbursed by Rob. Wasse and Nich. Battersby since Midsummer Sessions, 1679, for and on behalf of the wapentake of Bulmer, to be estreated upon the said wapentake; the Thr^{rs}. to pay 40s. as a gratuity to Joan wife of John Easton for releasing the said John Easton from the imprisonment he suffers under the Algeerines*; Order in a bastardy case; [148.] £6. 13. 4. to be estreated as a gratuity for making a stone bridge for coaches and carriages in the Constabulary of Sheriff Hutton in the highway leading from the city of Yorke to Kirbymooreside, and the inhab^{ts}. of Sheriff Hutton to contribute at their own proper charges such further sum as shall be required for making the said bridge, and also for ever hereafter to repair and maintain the same as their own bridge and at their own charge; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £2. 2. 6. to Tho. Worsley, Esq., touching Scawton Bridge, and the said Mr. Worsley to peruse the acc^{ts}. of the Surv^r. for the said bridge, and to view the same, and to dispose of the same moneys for reimbursing the said Surv^r. what he shall judge due to him upon his acc^{ts}., and to dispose of the residue (if any) for the further amendment of the bridge aforesaid, and to certify etc.; £40 to be estreated for the repairing of Burne Bridge and for the making a weare† to preserve and keep the River Burne in its antient course under the bridge; [148^b.] the process against the inhab^{ts}. of Skeeby for a highway respited till the next Sessions, and the dispute between the inhab^{ts}. of Skeeby aforesaid and the Lady Yorke about repairing the said way referred to two Justices; forasmuch as

been the only too frequent and too continuous condition of the streams named in the text, and of almost all the streams, except the most rapid, in the district. In fact, thousands of acres of land, formerly swamp and morass, by the sides of our streams, and rendered such in the way noticed, have been practically reclaimed, partly by more attention to the state of the beds of the streams themselves and to the condition of their banks, and partly by systematic drainage.

* See Introduction to Vol. VI. p. xiv. and below, p. 56.

† See previous note on p. 30.

several differences have been long depending in this Court touching the settling, etc., of the rates of the several townships of Huttons Ambo, Wigginton, Stitnam, and Cornbrough, the final determination of which was by the consent of all parties referred to these Sessions, this Court therefore, upon a full hearing of the parties, witnesses, and councell concerned on all sides, doth Order that for the future the said townships shall be rated as followeth : viz.—Huttons Ambo after the rate of £33, and Wigginton after the rate of £20 antient rent, and Stitnam after the rate of £585, and Cornbrough after the rate of £415, racke rent, which is to be reduced to the old rates, and that this Order be conclusive for ever hereafter ; the inhab^{ts}. of Ellerton, Whitwell, and Bolton to contribute equally to the charge of apprehending a dangerous and suspicious person, as also for his carrying to the Castle of Yorke, and for the future to contribute equally their several proportions in all ass^{ts}., etc., that shall be imposed upon them, and in case of refusal etc., and in case it appear that there hath been any extraordinary and unnecessary charge in conveying the said man to the gaol, Geo. Smithson, Esq., is desired to take a hearing thereof and to regulate the same as it shall appear to him ; [149.] 40s. allowed for a loss by fire ; £5. to be estreated for Newsham Bridge ; £4. to be estreated as a gratuity for Laskall Bridge ; the sum of £10. formerly levied upon the inhab^{ts}. of Topcliffe for not repairing their highway to be paid to the Surv^{rs}. for the said highway : Ordered that no person within the North Riding do give any greater wages to any servant that he or she shall hire than are assessed by the Justices at these Sessions upon pain of the penalty mentioned in the statute in that case etc., and it is further Ordered that copies* of the rates of servants' wages at these Sessions be sent to the respective C. C^s. within the said Riding and by them published in the several market towns in their respective wapentakes, and that the said C. C^s. do for the future keep their Statute Sessions according to law, and inquire of [offences] against the said statute and all offences there inquirable, and present them at the next Sessions ; gratuities to four L. S^s. and to one soldier's widow.

[149^b.] NEW MALTON.

Qu. Sessions at, July 13, 1680.

Before Sir Rich. Grahme of Nunington, Sir Watkinson Paylor, Sir Rich. Grahme, Will. Cayley, and Tho. Worsley, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

* No copy, unfortunately, is extant in the "Minutes and Orders" volume itself.

Presentments :—The Constable of Byland for refusing to give in his acc^{ts}.; two Whitby men for assault on the Constable; four farmers for selling butter mixed with old and corrupt butter; a farmer for not branding his initials on his butter firkins; three firkiners for making butter firkins above the weight of 8 lbs. which could not contain 56 lbs.; four cases of stealing; three cases of assault; a case of trespass with damage; two watercourses stopped up; one highway not repaired. [152^b.] Two prisoners tried and convicted.

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[155.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thir^t. to pay a gratuity of 5s. to an Irishman who, sailing for Scotland, by contrary windes was forced to land at Whitby; whereas it appears to this Court that the Surv^{rs}. for Bowe Bridge have already disbursed the moneys formerly granted for the said bridge and that for want of an additional sum there is a stop put to the work: Ordered that the said Surv^{rs}. shall disburse such further sum as shall be requisite, and that the same upon their producing their acc^{ts}. shall be repaid to them at the next United Sessions; two Justices to take a view of Kirkham Bridge, being ruinous and in great decay, and as moneys commonly are not estreated for bridges at the Divided Sessions, and that if speedy care be not taken a much greater charge will be put upon the country then will be now required: it is therefore desired that the said Justices disburse so much money as shall be requisite, which money shall be repaid to them at the next United Sessions; [156.] the Thir^t. to pay 20s. to the Overseers of New Malton to be distributed amongst the poor there; forasmuch as complaint hath been made unto us by a Morton glover that whereas the son of a wright of Sutton-on-the-Forest was bound to him, with him to dwell after the manner of an apprentice, for the space of eight years from May 10th, 1679, and that he hath been a lew'd and idle servant, and disobedient to the lawful commands of his said master, and doth continue such his lew'd courses, and is not to be reformed: we therefore whose hands etc. are hereunto set do, for the reasons aforesaid, discharge the said glover of his said apprentice, and he is hereby discharged, anything to the contrary notwithstanding; gratuities to three L. S^s. and three widows.

[157.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 20, 1680.

Before Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Jos. Cradocke, Tho. Metcalfe, Will. Robinson of Rookby, Roger Beckwith, Rob. Wharton, Jas. Clayton, sen^r., Geo. Smithson, and John Wilson, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Hutton Hang yeomⁿ. for shooting at doves with a hand-gun ; a Carleton lab^r. for defaming a man in the open market and hindering him in his business on two occasions ; a Leeming lab^r. for assault on the Constable ; an Askrig woman for the like ; a Bainbrigg lab^r. for keeping a greyhound ; an Askrig yeomⁿ. for keeping a common disordered alehouse ; a yeomⁿ. of Ingleton in the county of Durham for killing twenty moorpoult^s* at Bowes ; two Barnardcastle men for the like ; three cases of stealing ; one highway not repaired ; a watercourse stopped up ; a case of trespass with damage ; two cases of assault ; Mary Tindall, widow, Mary wife of Tho. Westwood, yeomⁿ., Grace Pinkney, spinster, Marg^t Renney, widow, Elizth. Robinson, spinster, Sarah Thornton, widow, Mary wife of Rowl. Hinde, yeomⁿ., Will. Robson, lab^r. Jane Peareth, spinster, Elizth. Thompson, spinster, Elizth. Atkinson, spinster, Mary Robinson, spinster, Elizth. Clerke, widow, Jane Shut, widow, Jane Wilson, widow, . . . Wyvell, Mary Hildreth, spinster, Anne Hildreth, spinster, Bridget Bilson, spinster, Henry Kirton, lab^r., Mary Pinkney, spinster, all of Mansfeild : Edw. Saltmarsh, Esq., Phillip Saltmarsh, gentⁿ., Troll.^f his wife, Faith Blakiston, spinster, Mary Pickering, spinster, Rob. Leach, yeomⁿ., of Newby Wiske : Elizth. wife of Edw. Grahme, yeomⁿ., Marg^t. Wood, widow, of Long Cowton : Will. Bulmer, yeomⁿ., Anne his wife of Warlaby : Jane wife of Tho. Wilson of Kirby Wiske, yeomⁿ. : Dorothy Wormley of Middleton Tyas, spinster : Henry Allen of Kipling, yeomⁿ. : John Hird of Moulton, lab^r., Mary his wife : Lachel \ddagger wife of Geo. Ovington of Cleasby, yeomⁿ. : Mary Layton, spinster, Dorothy Barker, widow, Edw. Vinson, yeomⁿ., Elizth. Dent, spinster, Elizth. wife of John Neesome, yeomⁿ., Rob. Wilson, yeomⁿ., of Layton : Oliva wife of Geo. Meynill, Esq., Marg^t. Appleby, widow, Anne Appleby, spinster, Anne Akeman, spinster, Mary Hardcastle, spinster, Anne wife of Will. Wilson, yeomⁿ., Geo. Meynill, jun^r, gentⁿ., Will. Neesome, yeomⁿ., John Fennicke, yeomⁿ., of Dalton : Jane Kirton of Mewker, widow : Bridget Cornforth, spinster, Bridget Hall, spinster, Frances Wilson, spinster, Frances Metcalfe, spinster, Mary Girlington, spinster, Tho. Girlington, gentⁿ., Fr. Dalton, yeomⁿ., Bridget Girlington, widow, Marg^t. Dowell, spinster, of Aldbrough : Lucy Allen, spinster, Elizth. wife of Ralph Walker, lab^r., of Ravensworth : Katherine Tunstall, spinster, Mary Tunstall, spinster, Anne Tunstall, spinster,

* The young of the moor-game or common grouse. The common country name for the grouse in this district is "Moor-birds," and though I have heard the young birds, before they arrived at the stage of fitness to be shot, called pou'ts or moor-pou'ts, still it has never been the usual designation for them during my time.

\ddagger This name is written at the end of the line and with a stroke through the two l's, indicating an abbreviation. The form of the real name does not indicate itself.

\ddagger So written.

Tho. Pyburne, yeom^{n.}, Tho. Wade, yeom^{n.}, Tho. Harrison, yeom^{n.}, Elizth. Bainbridge, Barbara Metcalfe, spinster, of Barningham: John Barningham, yeom^{n.}, Hannah his wife, Chr. Barningham, lab^{r.}, John Barningham, jun^{r.}, lab^{r.}, Ralph Peacocke, lab^{r.}, Rich. Hird, lab^{r.}, Anne Hannam, spinster, Elizth. Colling, widow, of Arkengarthdale: Tho. Pudsey, gent^{n.}, of Standwicke-cum-Carleton, and Lucy his wife: Elizth. Redhead of Caldwell, spinster: Joanna Berry of Barford, spinster: Anne wife of Henry Edwards, yeom^{n.}, Isabella wife of John Metcalfe, yeom^{n.}, Chr. Robinson, yeom^{n.}, Joanna wife of Rich. Metcalfe, yeom^{n.}, of Reeth: John Berry, jun^{r.}, yeom^{n.}, Mark Berry, yeom^{n.}, Rob. Barwick, yeom^{n.}, Anne Dent, spinster, of Forcet: Valentine Allen of Skeeby, yeom^{n.}: Geo. Atkinson, gent^{n.}, Tho. Garnet, gent^{n.}, Rob. Sitteron, yeom^{n.}, Anne Radcliffe, spinster, Katherine Wainman, spinster, of Thorpe: Mary Witham of Rookeby, spinster: Mary Dent of Marricke, spinster: Isabella wife of Rob. Pearson, yeom^{n.}, Rob. Pearson, jun^{r.}, yeom^{n.}, Rob. Bartlet, lab^{r.}, Mary wife of Rich. Robinson, yeom^{n.}, Elizth. wife of Geo. Bell, yeom^{n.}, of Melsonby: Tho. Snell, yeom^{n.}, Will. Clayton, lab^{r.}, Will. Skinner, lab^{r.}, Elizth. Smith, spinster, Mary Almer, spinster, Marg^t. Raisbecke, spinster, of Cliffe: Will. Collingwood, gent^{n.}, Merill his wife, John Smithson, gent^{n.}, Mark Wilson, lab^{r.}, Fr. Wastall, lab^{r.}, Mary Messenger, spinster, Dorothy Smithson, spinster, of Newsham: Gabriel Appleby of Kirby Hill, lab^{r.}, and Anne his wife: Rob. Webster of Startforth, gent^{n.}, Tho. Witham of Morton, gent^{n.}, Mich. Pudsey, gent^{n.}, Tho. Pudsey, gent^{n.}, of Barford: Fr. Tunstall of Barningham, gent^{n.}: Tho. Bulmer of Startforth, gent^{n.}: John Huggison, of Ovington, yeom^{n.}: Sir Will. Tankred of Branton: Fr. Lambert of Marset, yeom^{n.}: Henry Adamson of Swinton, yeom^{n.}: John Simpson, Marm. Close, Henry Lummas, of Grinton: Will. Tod of Bainbrig: Tristram Duffield, Will. Staveley, Fr. Dent of East Witton: Fr. Peacocke, Edw. Holmes of Bellerby: Jas. Allen, Dorothy Horner, Geo. Allanson of Laborne: John Cundall, Henry Hall of Fingall: Will. Norton, Anne wife of Will. Markenfeild of West Burton: Adrian Metcalfe of Wensley: Jane wife of John Lambert, grocer, Anne Lambert, widow, of Askrig: Jas. Elcocke of Downholme: John Dalton, Elizth. Cayley, of Burton Constable: Edw. Potter, Chr. Castlin, of Thornton Stewart: Anne Straker, Elizth. Hutchinson, Elizth. Hutchinson, spinster, Anne Swan, Jane Atkinson, Elizth. Jaques, of Midleham: Jane Allen, Elizth. wife of Will. Tod, of Bainbrig: Elizth. Wray of Rookwith, Thirne-cum-Clifton, widow: Will. Lodge, Mary Binkes, widow, Anne Barker, Isabella Williams, of Aiskew-cum-Leeming: Mary Beckwith, Rob. Rainell, Will. Allen, Math. Tinsley, Anne Atkinson, Anne Lodge, Anne Bateson, Jane Pearson, Elizth. Metcalfe, widow, Mary Metcalfe, Marg^t. Eccop, Chr. Eccop, Anne Vitty, of Beedall: Wilfrid Thwaites,

Ralph Watkins, Geo. Hey, Anne Stevenson, spinster, Mary Hall, Anne wife of Rich. Hall, Anne Sewell, Anne Edesworth, widow, Anne Edesworth, spinster, Marg^t. Edesworth, spinster, Katherine Edesworth, spinster, Barth. Edesworth, Edw. Edesworth, Will. Edesworth, Elizth. Faucet, Elizth. Thwaites, spinster, of Burgh-cum-St.-Giles': Ellinor Helme, widow, Ellice Carter, of Cathericke-cum-Killerby: Tho. Bainbridge, Ellen his wife, Elizth. Bainbridge, spinster, Barbara Bainbridge, spinster, of Cathericke parish: Simon Pickersgill, Lucy Smith, Anne Smith *alias* Parle, of Swinton-cum-Wardermaske: Mary Smith, spinster, Elizth. Pickersgill, spinster, Marm. Milner, Dorothy his wife, Elizth. Smith, spinster, Ellis Smith, of Ilton-cum-Pot: Winifrid Dodsworth of Burton-on-Ewre, spinster: Fr. Wade, Anth. Wade of Healey-cum-Sutton: Jane Errington of Masham: Tho. Faucet of Cowburne, lab^r., and Anne his wife: all for not repairing to the parish church etc. [163.] One prisoner tried and convicted.

[163^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Gratuity of 20s. to a L. S.; [164.] whereas £5. was formerly granted to the undertaker for Burne Bridge towards the repairing the great charge he had been at in building the said bridge, over and above the sum he agreed for, and it appearing to this Court that since that, by reason of a weare or getty lately made the river is thrown upon the contrary side it usually runs on and hath undermined part of the said bridge, so that if speedy course be not soon taken the whole bridge may be indangered: this Court doth therefore Order that the Thr^r. for Richmond pay unto the said undertaker the third part of the sum of £10, and the remainder of the said sum this Court doth recommend to the Sessions at Thirske, that the Thr^r. for the other part of this Riding may pay unto the said undertaker the twenty nobles remaining; Ordered that the several C. C^s. in Richmondshire and Allertonshire, immediately upon notice of this Order, do issue out their warrants to all the Petty Constables within their respective hundreds requiring them to make their returns in writing, at the next Sessions, of the names of the masters and servants within their several constableries, what services they are in, and what wages they have, and when their several terms do expire, and also to make a return of names of such masters and servants as shall refuse to give their account herein.

[165.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 5, 1680.

Before Sir Metcalfe Robinson, Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Henry Marwood, Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Geo. Smithson, and Constable Bradshawe, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The Constable of Staithes for neglecting his office ; a Hemsley yeomⁿ. for shooting at a bucke with a hand-gun and killing it ; three Tanfeild persons for riotous assembly and assault ; a Hutton Rudby yeomⁿ. for not repairing his fences ; a Stoxley farmer for putting a stone into a firkin of butter ; three farmers for selling butter mixed with old butter ; four farmers for not stamping the weight of the butter-firkins on the firkins ; five farmers for not branding their initials on their butter-firkins ; a farmer for selling butter under weight ; thirteen firkiners for making firkins above the weight of 8 lbs. which could not contain 56 lbs. ; a Beedall man for using the trade of a chandler without legal apprenticeship ; an Askrig lab^r. for provoking a man to fight ; an East Tanfeild man for scandalous words ; a case of trespass with damage ; two cases of stealing ; three cases of assault ; twenty-four cases of non-repair of highways ; twelve watercourses stopped up.

[178.] Two prisoners tried : one acquitted and one convicted.

[182.] ORDERS made etc.

£40. to be estreated for the repair of Rombaldkirke *alias* Balder Bridge ; the Thr^r. to pay twenty nobles to the undertaker for Burne Bridge, being his proportion of the sum of £10. granted to the said undertaker for reimbursing him the moneys he is out of purse over and above the sum he agreed for the making and building the said bridge ; [182^b.] 40s. to be paid for the repair of Leaven Bridge ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay the Surv^{rs}. for Sike Bridge £5, which they have laid out over and above the £20. granted for building the said bridge ; Tho. Hewan, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Bulmer *vice* Tho. Fewster, gentⁿ., deceased ; £8. to be levied upon the inhab^{ts}. of Topcliffe and employed about the repairing their highway ; the £6. remaining in the hands of the Surv^{rs}. for Peirce Bridge to be bestowed for repair of the highway at the end of the bridge on the Yorkshire side, and what the said Surv^{rs}. shall further disburse therein this Court doth promise to repay ; [183.] the Thr^{rs}. to pay the Surv^r. for Burne Bridge £1. 10. which he hath disbursed over and above the moneys formerly granted ; upon the complaint of the inhab^{ts}. of Romanby that they are yearly charged

towards the relief of the poor of Northallerton £4, and that the poor of Romanby do increase, and that the poor of Northallerton are much diminished : Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. of Northallerton do appear at the next Sessions to shew cause why the inhab^{ts}. of Romanby ought not to be discharged of the said yearly payment, and that in the interim they be acquitted from the said payment, and the inhab^{ts}. of Romanby are to give notice of this Order to the inhab^{ts}. of Northallerton ; £27. 10. to be estreated for reimbursing the Surv^r. for Bowe Bridges ; [183^b.] £30. to be estreated as a gratuity for the repair of Seven Bridge (being of extraordinary great use to the country) ; 40s. to be paid by the Thr^r. to Jasper Yates for his charges in prosecuting the King's evidence at Yorke Assizes ; £10. to be estreated for repair of that part of the battlement of Croft Bridge which belongs to the North Riding ; Mr. Marm. Butler, gaoler at Yorke Castle, to pay a man 5s. for carrying back a prisoner to Yorke Castle ; [184.] whereas there is a difference now depending in this Court between the inhab^{ts}. of Easingwould and the inhab^{ts}. of Stillington touching the proportion of their rates in ass^{ts}. : Ordered by consent of councell and solicitors on both sides that it be referred to Tho. Lassells of Northallerton, Esq., and John Agar of Stockton, gentⁿ., to proportion the value of the said townships and to make their report etc. ; upon a full hearing of the witnesses and councell of the inhab^{ts}. of Little Langton, Yafforth, Thrintoft, and Little Danby *alias* Bowhill about the providing for the relief of four poor persons living on Yafforth Mooreside : Ordered (by consent of all parties concerned) that the inhab^{ts}. of Little Langton shall, at their own proper charge, maintain two of the said persons during their lives, and that the said several inhab^{ts}. of Little Langton, Yafforth, Thrintoft, and Little Danby *alias* Bowhill shall, at an equal charge, maintain the other two during their lives, and that, after the decease of all the poor persons aforesaid, the inhab^{ts}. of the said townships shall severally at their particular charge maintain their respective poor that shall go out of any of the said places to live in any of the said houses for ever hereafter, and if any of the said places shall hereafter erect any new houses upon the said Yafforth Moore for any poor of the said respective towns, that such town that shall so erect such houses for such poor shall at their particular charge maintain such poor as shall be placed in such houses so erected ; forasmuch as it hath appeared unto this Court that the late Overseers for Great Broughton were Ordered by a warrant from some Justice or Justices in Cleeveland to make distress and sale of the goods of a Great Broughton man for some arrears of ass^t. due to the poor, [184^b.] which distress was lawfully made and adjudged so at a trial at Yorke Assizes, and to have been done in pursuance of the aforesaid warrant, the Court hath thought

it fit that the said late Overseers shall go to the house of the said man, and there, before witnesses, tender him the overplus of the said distress, and upon his refusing to receive the same, shall leave it at his house, which shall be a full discharge to the said Overseers for that money notwithstanding any pretences that he makes of having paid it to the new Overseers, which, if he have, he is to receive it back again, and the old Overseer is hereby Ordered to pay all the money remaining in his hands upon this acc^t. to the new Overseers, upon which the said man is to give the said Overseers no further trouble in this matter by suites or otherwise ; the several C. C^s. of the East Division of this Riding to issue out their warrants to all the Petty Constables within their respective wapentakes requiring the said Petty Constables to make returns to them (in writing) of the names of all the masters and servants within their several Constableries, what offices the servants are employed in, what wages they have, and when their terms do expire, and also to certify the names of such masters and servants as shall refuse to give an account herein, and the said respective C. C^s. are to deliver such returns at the next Sessions, and to certify the names of such Constables as shall make default herein ; warrants to be issued out against all the Petty Constables within this Riding who have not made returns of the Popish recusants according to their warrants, and against all those Constables in Richmondshire and Allertonshire which have not made returns of masters and servants, and also warrants to be issued against those that have made imperfect returns, to appear ; gratuities to two L. S^s. and a widow.

[185^b.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, October 26, 1680.

Before Roger Beckwith, Constable Bradshawe, and Tho. Worsley, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Kirklington yeomⁿ. for not repairing his fences ; three cases of non-repair of highways ; a Topcliffe man for stopping up a highway ; Geo. Tomlinson of Birdforth, gentⁿ., Isabel his wife : Mary wife of Rob. Bell, Mary Havelocke, widow, of Thornton-le-Moore : Jas. Abram of Old Byland : Alice Leach of Ampleford-cum-Thorpe, widow : Chr. Kilvington, Jane his wife, Grace Chapman, of Boltby : John Wright, Mary his wife, John Robinson, Mary Dinmore, of Thirske : Marg^t. Craythorne, Anne Browne, Katherine wife of Rob. Frankland, jun^r., Anth. Frankland, of East Harlesey : Dorathy

Pinkney, Peter Walford, Christiana his wife, of Nether Silton : Jane wife of Luke Coates of Kepwicke : Gilb. Metcalfe, Mary his wife, Anne Basset, widow, Elizth. Basset, spinster, Bridget Jackson, spinster, Beatrix wife of Rich. Brigs, of Upsall : John Dale, jun^r, Elizth. Dale, spinster, Jas. Rose, of Thornbrough : Elizth. wife of Rob. Clerke, Anne wife of John Skaife, Will. Sweeting, lab^r., of Byland-cum-membbris : Fr. Hunt, Mary his wife, Will. Kirke, Steph. Coulson, Anne Cowson, spinster, Joanna Cowson, spinster, of Bilsedale : Rich. Faucet, shoemaker, of Haunby, and Isabel his wife : Rich. Teasedale, lab^r., Edw. Coates, weaver, Elizth. Coates, spinster, of Arden-cum-Ardenside : Will. Harland, Patience Harland, spinster, Anne Tod, spinster, of Kirby Knowle : Tho. Cholmley of Bransby, Esq. : Gilb. Metcalfe of Tanton, gentⁿ., Edw. Danby of Leake, gentⁿ. : Chas., Lord Fairfax, of Gilling : Elizth. Wood, Ralph Perkin, Dorothy Sturdy, John Bell, of Kirbymooreside : Anne Billingham, widow, Fr. Billingham, Elizth. Billingham, of Harome : John Pattericke, Mary his wife, Marg^t. Barker, Geo. Sherwood, Bernard Patricke, Jane his wife, Anne wife of Rich. Spenceley, Tho. Thompson, John Thompson, Mary Buttery, Marg^t. Thompson, Mary Thompson, all of East Nesse : John Bullocke of Muscoates : Elizth. Sturdy of Nunington : Tho. Taylor, Anne his wife, Will. Taylor, Dorothy Taylor, of Oswaldkirke : Fr. Craythorne, Tomisin his wife, Elizth. Williamson, spinster, Lucy Whitfeild, of Hemsley : Tho. Coates of Slingsby : Anne Moore, Will. Aden, of Edston : Susannah wife of John Hardwicke, Katherine Hardwicke, widow, John Collison, Elizth. Hardwicke, Mary Hardwicke, Fr. Lookes, Katherine wife of Geo. Hardwicke, Tho. Slater, Elizth. wife of Rich. Ashton, Fr. Skelton, Katherine his wife, Geo. Skelton, Mary his wife, Mary wife of Tho. Masterman, all of Hovingham : Mary wife of Tho. Clerke, gentⁿ., Will. Bullocke, gentⁿ., Jane May, Mary Bossall, widow, of South Holme : Anne Monday, Andrew Monday, Edm. Monday, Isabel Monday, Anne wife of Peter Seamer, of Rivalx : Isabel Rosse of Wombleton : Mary wife of John Swales of Sproxton : Jordan Sturdy, Ursula Sturdy, Anne Sturdy, Phillip Sturdy, John Sturdy, Mary Sturdy, John Harrison, Steph. Earson, Mary Rowland, of Scawton : Tho. Steeles, jun^r., Jane wife of Will. Barthram of New Malton : Mary Hodgson of Ruswarpe : Israel Wood, jun^r., Joanna Hill of Eskdale-side : Tho. Knags, Jane Barry, of Newholme-cum-Dunsley : Chr. Ducke of Whitby, and Jane his wife : Anne wife of Zacchary Langdale of Everley : Nich. Sneaton of Farmanby : Will. Story of Newstead Grange, parish of Thornton : John Foster, Mary his wife, John Preistman, Elizth. his wife, Will. Hoggard and his wife, of Thornton : Mary wife of Tho. Helme of Rosedale : Marg^t. wife of Edw. Cornforth, Jane Cockerill, of Goatland : Fr. Linton of Ryton : Jas. Bucke of West

Tanfeild, Elizth. his wife : Will. Constable of Cundall, Thornton and Leckby, and his wife : Jane Gaines of Pickhall : Joanna wife of John Danby of Leake : Greg. Kendrawe, Marg^t. wife of John Hunton, Anne wife of Will. Whitwell, Anne wife of Cuthb. Spencer, of Osmotherley : Tho. Nicholson, jun^r., John Pickering, Ursula his wife, John Whitfeild, Mary Joy, spinster, Katherine Fisher, Jas. Cooke, Alice Jackson, spinster, Mary Mayson, of North Kilvington : Steph. Kirke, Amor Stevenson, Elizth. his wife, Mich. Rootlesse, Jane Jackson, of Thornton-le-Street : Dorathy wife of Jas. Lynas, John Dobson, Mary his wife, Mary Chapman, Elizth. Cowin, widow, Mary Cockson, Katherine Parvin, of Knayton-cum-Brawby : Marg^t. wife of John Pearson, Jane wife of Luke Crawforth, of Girsby : Anth. Green of Lanmoth-cum-Cattoe, gentⁿ., and Mary his wife : Tho. Bell of Great Ayton, and Mabil. his wife : Elizth. wife of Jas. Sayre, Anne Culley, of Hutton Rudy : Rich. Calvert of Newby : Averil Ballasey, spinster, Rob. Sayre, Mary his wife, of Rudy : Elizth. Hebden, Dorathy Sanderson, Jane Swainston, Katherine Culley, Marg^t. Barker, Tho. Fulthorpe, Will. Cornforth, Mary his wife, Elizth. Thornhill, Alex. Blackburne, Mary Calvert, widow, Thalia Clerke, Jane Culley, Magdalen wife of Tho. Cuthbert, Rob. Slummon *alias* Meynill, Mary Davison, Marm. Hutchinson, of Craythorne : Anne Salvin, Ursula Salvin, Mary Thorpe, Jane Lee, Bridget Meed, Averil Hutton, Math. White, Elizth. his wife, Jane Coverdale, John Lyth, jun^r., Elizth. Lyth, Ellin Lyth, Ellinor wife of Will. Lawson, Ellinor Harland, Marg^t. wife of Tho. Harland, Isabel wife of Jas. Hodgson, Anne wife of Will. Smith, Marg^t. wife of Rich. Boyes, Jane Lawson, John White, Katherine his wife, Elizth. Knags, Paul Snawden, Marg^t. Snawden, Mary Snawden, Mary wife of Seth Boyes, Martha wife of Chr. Simpson, John Colson, Bridget Sneaton, Anne Ducke, Anne Baxter, Will. Allison, Mary Jefferson, Mary Lyth, Geo. White, Marg^t. Boyes, John White, Fr. Lyth, all of Egton : Will. Baites of Easby, gentⁿ. : Laur. Wright, Will. Brown, Isabel his wife, Meril wife of Chr. Lowsdale, sen^r., Mary Browne of Maltby : Will. Sampson, Anne his wife, Jas. Kirby, Marg^t. Simpson, of Kirby : Faith Thorpe, Mary wife of Rob. Morland, Mary wife of Steph. Tiplady, Toby Calvert, Anne his wife, Elizth. wife of Mich. Walker, jun^r., of Hilton : Elizth. Musgrave, Rich. Harrison, Mary his wife, Anne Bell, Will. Young, Elizth. wife of John Andrew, Anne Dowson, John Mayson, Jas. Kirby, jun^r., Roger Atkinson, Tomisin his wife, Mary Atkinson, spinster, Christiana wife of Will. Pearson, gentⁿ., John Pearson, Bridget Kirke, Rich. Wilkinson, Anne his wife, Meril Wilkinson, Mary Robinson, John Stonehouse, Anne his wife, Elizth. wife of Rich. Dobson, Katherine wife of Gilb. Metcalfe, gentⁿ., all of Stoxley : Marglia Airsome, Marg^t. Grayson, spinster, of Middleton-on-Leven :

Elizth. Johnson of Pickton: Mary wife of Tho. Mittan of Barwicke [Ingleby Berwick]: Rob. Scadlocke of Castle Leavington: Marg^t. Kirby of Great Ayton: Marg^t. wife of John Mercer, Dorathy Wainman, John Knags, Jane Bulmer, of Danby: Tho. Moore, gentⁿ., Mary his wife, Tho. Moore, jun^r., gentⁿ., Jas. Moore, gentⁿ., Daniel Seaton, Roger Harperley, Lachar. Linsley, John Harryson, Jonas Sanders, of Loftus: Elizth. wife of Oliver Ridley of Hutton Mulgrave: Mary Kearsley, widow, Marg^t. Shepherd, of Maske: Susannah Browne, widow, Alice wife of Jos. Elding, of Skelton: Tho. Carter, Isabel Meed, of Gisbrough: Mary Colyer of Easington: Anne Jowsey of Barnby: Mary wife of Peter Busby, Tho. Wilson, Bridget his wife, Anne wife of Geo. Watson, John Fisher, Dorothy Fisher, Isabel wife of Fr. Dent, of Yarome: Mary Jowsey of Ellerby: Henry Stonehouse, Anne his wife, Jane wife of Will. Butterwicke, Barbara wife of Will. Hindson, Mary wife of John Ducke, Marg^t. wife of Chr. Simpson, of Brotton: Mary wife of Tho. Hodgson, Anne Knags, Dorothy Stangoe, of Ugthorpe; Alice Warde, Ursala wife of Fr. Hawkswell, Fr. Jowsey, Will. Sanders, sen^r., Will. Sanders, jun^r., Anne Sanders, Ralph Knags, Jane his wife, Mary Scar, Tho. Frankland, and Anne his wife, of Roxby, for not going to the parish church etc.

[190.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 11, 1680⁸¹.

Before Sir Henry Marwood, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Will. Cayley, and Tho. Worsley, Esquires.

High Sheriff Sir Rich. Grahme: John Storzaker, Deputy Sheriff.

Presents:—A Hutton Bushell yeomⁿ. for receiving a servant who had departed from her former master without permission; the inhab^{ts}. of Normanby for not repairing a clove on the banks of the River Seaven; Katherine wife of Simon Pecket of Sheriffe Hutton: Barbara wife of Tho. Browne of Alne: Ralph Kendall, yeomⁿ., Mary his wife, Rich. Kendall, yeomⁿ., Will. Kendall, yeomⁿ., Ellinor his wife, Anne Mortimer, spinster, Alice Robinson, widow, Alice Robinson, spinster, of Hinderskelfe: Faith wife of John Boyes of St. Ollives: Dorothy Hebden, Tho. Otterburne, of Scackleton: Tho. Wilkinson, shoemaker, of Foston-cum-Thornton: Chr. Wilson, Anne his wife, Leon. Holsworth, Mary his wife, Will. Hornsby, Elizth. Hornsby, Nich. Turner, Mary his wife, Mary Cooper, Rob. Cooper, John Cooper, Mary Cooper, Jane Holsworth, of Skewsby-cum-Dalby: Rob. Hardwicke, Jane his wife, Dinah Newton, widow, John Crosby, Geo. Speed,

Elizth. his wife, Andrew Sherwood, Tho. Warde, Frances his wife, Rob. Wilson, Dorathy his wife, Edw. Hickeringill, Rob. Barton, Rachel Hebden, John Cornforth, Anne Smithson, spinster, Anne Addinson, Anne Harrison, Paul Gatenby, Katherine Joy, of Bransby-cum-Steersby : Will. Hall, Ursala his wife, John Wilson, Marg^t. his wife, Anne wife of Will. Cartwright, Elizth. Harrison, of Linton-cum-Youlton : John Dresser and Marg^t. his wife, of Farlington, for not going to the parish church etc. ; at Thirske Sessions, April 20, 1680, before Sir Rich. Grahme of Nunington, Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Will. Chaytor, Tho. Metcalfe, Esq., and their associated Justices, the majority of the said Justices had limited and rated and appointed among other wages of servants and labourers, that a maid able to take care of brewing, baking, and a dairy, being retained by a gentⁿ., widow, or yeomⁿ., should not receive for her salary, with food and drink, more than 40s. per annum, and that any other maid should not receive, with food and drink, more than 33s. 4d. : and Rich. Melton of Hemsleys Ambo, gentⁿ., retained a certain Mary Benton to be his domestic servant for dairy-work and agreed to give her, and she, well knowing the premisses, agreed to accept, for her wages, £3, which was a larger wage than he ought to give or she ought to receive, according to the rates of servants' wages appointed as aforesaid ; a gentⁿ. of Hemsleys Ambo, three yeomⁿ. of Huntington, two Towthroppe yeomⁿ., two Crambe yeomⁿ., a Buttercrambe gentⁿ., two Stockton yeomⁿ., a Harton-cum-Claxton man, a Hildingley yeomⁿ., four Osbaldwicke men, five Murton yeomⁿ., a Barton-in-le-Willowes yeomⁿ., two Terrington gentⁿ. and their respective servants, all for the like ; the late Constable of Byland-cum-membris for refusing to pay the inhab^{ts}. of Byland-cum-membris 56s. 9d. which he owed them ; the Justices at Thirske Sessions April 20, 1680, having appointed that a servant in husbandry able to mow and plough well should not receive for his wages, with eatables and drinkables, more than £4 *per annum*, and that any other servant should not receive more than four marks *per annum*, Rich. Story of Kirby Knowle, yeomⁿ., for retaining Tho. Wilkinson, jun^r, to be his domestic servant in husbandry and agreeing to give him, and the said Tho. Wilkinson for agreeing to receive, for his wages, £5, which was more than the said Rich. Story ought to give or the said Tho. Wilkinson to receive, according to the rates of wages appointed as aforesaid* ; an Ampleforth yeomⁿ., a Barughs Ambo yeomⁿ., a gentⁿ. and a yeomⁿ. of Pickering, a Ruswarpe yeomⁿ., a Loftus gentⁿ., a Brotton gentⁿ., a Strensall yeomⁿ., an Aldwarke yeomⁿ., a gentⁿ. a clerk, and two yeomⁿ.

* This Minute, and one nearly preceding it, are both of interest and value as giving us some items illustrative of the rate of wages fixed according to the discretion of the Justices in Quarter Sessions, but unluckily not recorded in the Minutes.

of Sutton-in-the Forest, an Alne yeom^{n.}, a Linton yeom^{n.}, four Towlerton men, a Newton yeom^{n.}, two Tholthorpe women, two Raskelfe yeom^{n.}, a gent^{n.} and four yeom^{n.} of Clifton, and their servants, for the like; a case of forcible entry; six cases of non-repair of highways; two cases of stealing. [197^{b.}] Two prisoners tried and convicted.

[198.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas Isaac Rogers was heretofore by indenture dated February 13, 1677, bound as an apprentice unto John Moone of Whitby, master and marriner, for the term of seven years, and complaint being made unto us by the said Isaac Rogers of the ill-usage of his said master, and he desiring to be discharged of and from his said apprenticeship: we therefore having heard what hath been alledged on both sides do, by and with the consent of the said John Moone and Isaac Rogers, Order and declare as followeth: first, that the said Isaac Rogers shall or may at all times during the residue of the said term of seven years, save when he shall be employed at sea, be, remain, and continue with any of his friends or relations in Whitby, and immediately, at all times, shall be ready to go, and shall go and assist in the said profession at sea, with any master professing the said mistery of a marriner to whom the said John Moone shall, from time to time, assigne, transferre, or put him, the said John Moone receiving the benefit of such his apprentice's service, and that the said Isaac, as to any other services in his master's shop or family be freed and discharged: secondly, that the said John Moone and his assignes shall pay unto the said Isaac such yearly salary as by the said indentures he is obliged to pay, and the arrears now due to him, but to be discharged from finding of meat, drink, washing, or lodging during all the residue of the said term save when the said Isaac shall be employed in seafaring as aforesaid, [signed] H. Marwood, Tho. Pennyman, W^m. Cayley, Tho. Worsley; [198^{b.}] a gratuity of 10s. to a L. S.; [199.] the Surv^r. for Scawton Bridge being 14s. out of purse, and it being supposed that 40s. more will be required for the finishing the same: this Court doth desire him to disburse the same, and doth recommend him to the next Sessions, where it is desired he may be reimbursed the moneys in arrear and what he shall further disburse; forasmuch as by the death of Mr. Tho. Nicholson, late Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corr^{n.} at Thirske, the said place since the last Sessions became vacant, and the Right Hon^{ble}. Thomas, Lord Viscount Fauconberg, Keeper of the Rolls for this Riding, to supply the same office till these Sessions, or until it should be otherwise Ordered, did nominate and place Will. Dale of Thirske, gent^{n.}, in the office aforesaid, the said Will. Dale being recommended as a fit person for that imployment by Sir Rich.

Grahme of Nunington, Sir Watkinson Paylor, Sir Will. Frankland and Sir Chr. Wandesford: this Court, therefore, being willing to comply with the Keeper of the Rolls and Justices aforementioned, doth think fit to continue the said Will. Dale in that office untill the next United Sessions.

[200.] BEEDALL.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 18, 168^o₁.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, Roger Beckwith, and Geo. Smithson, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—The Constable of Brompton-on-Swale for neglecting his office; Fr. Ascough of Skewsby, gentⁿ., Roger Meynill, Esq., Peter Midleton, Esq., of Kilvington, Fr. Tunstall, jun^r., Esq., of Tunstall, and Geo. Meynill of Dalton, gentⁿ., for not going to the parish church etc.; an Eppleby yeomⁿ. for agreeing to give his dairymaid £2. 10. per annum, which was more than he ought to give or she ought to accept etc.; a Forcet yeomⁿ., and three Eppleby yeomⁿ. and their servants, for the like; a case of forcible entry; two cases of stealing; three water-courses not scoured.

[203.] ORDERS made etc.

Ordered that Fr. Kitching of Thornebrough, yeomⁿ., be admitted as common informer for Richmondshire and Allertonshire, and continue the said imployment during the pleasure of the Court; £13. to be assessed upon the inhab^{ts}. of the Constabulary of Bowes, equally to be proportioned amongst them, for reimbursing the several persons indicted for not repairing their highway; a warrant to be made to Tho. Rookeby, Esq., to take all guns, setting-dogs, nets, greyhounds and engines which are kept and used by any person not quallified according to the statute; a Kirby Hill man to be supprest from brewing for harbouring thieves and felons and other persons of idle and dissolute lives; [203^b.] £5. to be granted to Tho. Ferrow by Mr. Tho. Lightfoote, Thr^r. for Richmondshire, towards the making and building a boat at Winston for carrying passengers, men and horse, over the river of Tease betwixt Yorkshire and Bishopricke, which said sum is to remain in the hands of the said Mr. Tho. Lightfoote, Tho. Dodsworth and John Midleton, who are appointed to see the same carefully disbursed in and about the building the said boat, provided that the inhab^{ts}. of Bishopricke contribute other £5. towards the building of the said boat, it being of equal advantage to both counties: and in case the Justices of the Bishopricke of Durham refuse to pay the said

sum, the £5. granted by this Court to be repaid to the said Thr^r. and this Order to be voyd and of none effect ; whereas it was Ordered at Thirske Sessions, October 5th, that the inhab^{ts}. of Northallerton should appear to shew cause why the inhab^{ts}. of Romanby should not be discharged of the yearly payment of £4. towards the relief of the poor of Northallerton, and whereas the inhab^{ts}. of Northallerton appearing at these Sessions have shewed no sufficient cause why the inhab^{ts}. of Romanby should contribute as aforesaid : Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. of Romanby be discharged from payment of the said sum until this Court do Order the contrary ; [204.] Order in a bastardy case ; the Constables in Richmondshire and Allertonshire to issue out their warrants to the Petty Constables to make return of all servants that remain at home and are able to work,* that such course may be taken by the Justices as the law directs, and the C. C^s. to hold their Petty Sessions and certify such returns, and what other presentments they shall have before them at the next Sessions ; gratuities to two L. S^s.

[205^b.] THIRSK.

Qu. Sessions at, April 12, 1681.

Before Sir Henry Marwood, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Barrington Bourchier, Roger Beckwith, Rob. Wharton, Geo. Smithson, Constable Bradshawe, and Tho. Worsley, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Sand Hutton lab^r. for illegal distrain under colour of the office of a deputy-bailiff ; a Kirby Hill lab^r. for keeping an alehouse without licence ; a Topcliffe gentⁿ. for not repairing his fences ; the Constables of Whenby, Normanby, Appleton Wiske, Borrowby, Midcable,† North Holme, and Thornton Risebrough for neglecting their office ; an Ainderby Whearnhowe yeomⁿ. for agreeing to give a dairymaid, and the said dairymaid for agreeing to accept £2. 5. for her wages : an Eryholme yeomⁿ., a Manfeild yeomⁿ., a Cleasby yeomⁿ., a Barton yeomⁿ., a Kipling gentⁿ., and a Melsonby gentⁿ., for the like ; a case of forcible entry and illegal seizure ; five cases of stealing ; fifteen cases of non-repair of highways. [211^b.] Three prisoners tried : one convicted and two acquitted.

* An Order to be noted, but entirely in consistence with the Statute in that case made and enacted.

† One of the three divisions or sub-districts into which Bilsdale is customarily apportioned : usually named as Bilsdale Midcable.

[212.] ORDERS made etc.

£4. allowed for a loss by fire ; the Surv^r. for Yafforth Bridge to appear at the next Sessions and give an account of the money he hath received and what money he hath disbursed about the said bridge, and in case of refusal etc. ; £3 allowed to four Hutton Lockris people for loss by fire ; John Chapman of Ugglebarnby to be C. C. for Whitby Strand *vice* John Marsingale, gentⁿ. ; Ordered that the moneys heretofore quarterly estreated for L. S^s, by vertue of the statute, do, from these Sessions, cease and be no more paid or estreated ; [213.] an additional sum of £20 to be estreated for Balder Bridge ; Simon Johnson of Swinton to be C. C. for Hang East *vice* Tho. Smith, gentⁿ. ; the Thr^rs. to pay £4 as a gratuity for the repair of Everley Bridge ; [213^b.] at the request of some of the inhab^{ts}. of Great and Little Broughton : Ordered that the Parish Off^{rs}. of Great Broughton do assess £7. 12. 5. upon the inhab^{ts}. of the said town for reimbursing the late Churchwarden and Overseer the sum by them expended over and above the costs allowed them in a vexatious action brought against them at the Assizes by two women for executing a warrant from the Justices and making a distress upon the goods of two men for an ass^t. which they refused to pay, the said women after the said distress was made falsely challenging the said goods to be theirs : and in case any of the inhab^{ts}. of Broughton refuse to pay etc. ; oath being made that Ralph Faucet, attorney, is a contentious and troublesome person amongst his neighbours by bringing vexatious actions against several of them, and that he doth receive excessive and extortive fees of several persons : Ordered that a warrant be awarded against him to be bound to the good behaviour with good sureties, and for want thereof to be committed to gaole ; £20 additional to be estreated for enlarging the battlement of that part of Croft Bridge which belongs to this Riding ; [214.] the Thr^rs. to pay £4. 12. as a gratuity for reimbursing the Surv^r. for Laskall Bridge ; £3 to be paid out of the Treasury as a gratuity for Gilmanby Bridge ; £350 to be estreated for repair of Cathericke, Yafforth, Scawton and other bridges ; Mr. Will. Dale to be continued in the office of Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. until the next Sessions, for the reasons mentioned in a former Order made at Hemsley Sessions, January 11th last past ; it appearing to this Court that by the death of Mr. Tho. Thompson, the late Thr^r. for the moneys yearly payable out of the county of Yorke to the prisoners in Yorke Castle, there is a necessity for electing another for that service : we do constitute, nominate, and appoint, as much as in us lies, that Mr. Tho. Thompson of the city of Yorke shall be Thr^r. for receiving and paying out all such moneys due to the said prisoners, and that for his care and pains therein he yearly receive

from the Thrs^r. of this Riding 40s., it being our proportion of £6 which by way of salary is conceived he will deserve out of the whole county, which salary shall be due from the last Lent Assizes ; a difference between the inhab^{ts}. of Easingwould and those of Stillington touching the proportion of their rates referred to two gentⁿ. ; gratuities to four L. S^s. and two widows.

[215^b.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 12, 1681.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, and Constable Bradshaw, Esquire.

And, by adjournment, July 26th.

Before Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Henry Marwood, Sir Tho. Pennyman, and Constable Bradshawe, Esquire.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Kirby Milnes man for not repairing his fences ; the Clerk of Welbury, his wife, and an Osmotherley gentⁿ. for riotous assembly and assault ; five firkiners for selling butter mixed with old butter ; two Carleton men for stopping up a watercourse ; a case of stealing ; a highway not repaired. Bills ignored against Will. Walworth, Jane his wife, Math. Staincliffe, Ursala his wife, Fr. Hornsey, Chr. Dale, Mary his wife, Elizth. Hall, all of Whenby, for Recusancy ; and in six other cases.

[218.] ORDERS made etc.

Will. Coates of Thirske, gentⁿ., sworn H. C. for Birdforth *vice* Henry Wilson, gentⁿ. ; 20s. allowed for a loss by fire ; a warrant against Chr. Purselove of Whitby and John Sedman of Hacknes to cause them to appear at the next Sessions, that the Court may there elect one of them to succeed John Marsingale in the office of C. C. for Whitby Strand ; the Constable of Whenby to make a true and perfect returne of all the Popish recusants within his Constabery above the age of sixteen years, upon oath, at the next Sessions ; [218^b.] the Thr^r. to pay £12. 11. 6, by him formerly received for the repair of Cathericke Bridge, to one of the Surv^rs. for the said bridge ; the Thr^r. to pay unto the several L. S^s. formerly admitted as pensioners within the East Division of this Riding, half of their quarterly sum or pension heretofore paid ; the Thr^r. to pay unto Rob. Jackson 30s. towards reimbursing him his charges of printing the rates of servants' wages and rules for the better observation of the Statute of the 5th of Elizth. touching servants and labourers.

[219^b.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 19, 1681.

Before Sir Joseph Cradocke and Geo. Smithson, Esquire.

And, by adjournment, August 22nd.

Before Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Joseph Cradocke, Will. Robinson of Rookeby, Rob. Wharton, Jas. Clayton, sen^r., and Geo. Smithson, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Five Masham men for unlawful assembly, forcible entry and illegal seizure ; five men for riotous assembly and illegal seizure ; a Maske yeomⁿ. for not repairing his fences ; a Thrintoft blacksmith for scandalous words ; a Northallerton yeomⁿ. and a Thornton-le-Beanes yeomⁿ. for assaulting a man and detaining him illegally for the space of six hours ; a Screwton yeomⁿ. for refusal to pay ass^{ts}. ; five Ellerton-on-Swale yeomⁿ. for not repairing their fences ; a Startforth yeomⁿ. for keeping a setting-dog ; a case of forcible entry ; a case of trespass with damage ; a case of stealing ; three cases of assault. Five bills ignored.

[224^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thr^r. for Richmondshire to pay the proportion for Richmondshire of the sum of £120 formerly granted for Cathericke Bridge to the Surv^{rs}. ; the several Petty Constables within Richmondshire and Allertonshire to make their several returnes before the next Sessions to their respective C. C^s. of all the names and ages of their men and women servants within their several Constableries that remain at home and do not go to service, which several returns the Constables are required to deliver at the next Sessions ; a warrant against the Parson of Ainderby Steeple to find sureties etc. for reflecting on the Court for easy granting Orders for the relief of the poor of Ainderby Steeple aforesaid, upon a petition drawne and now remaining in Court ; [225.] Sir John Lawson of Burgh to pay all the arrears imposed upon him since Easter twelve months for his lands within the Constabulary of Burgh, that he is owner of, or which he farms, for the relief of the poor of Cathericke to the Parish Off^{rs}. of Cathericke ; the Surv^{rs}. of the highways of Easby to make good their acc^{ts}. for the moneys they have received for the repair of highways ; Simon Johnson, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. of Hang East vice Tho. Smith, gentⁿ. ; the Thr^r. to pay Sam. Rawling of Cathericke 6s. 8d. for prosecuting against a felon who was executed the last Assizes ; time given to the inhab^{ts}. of Skeeby for repairing the highway for which they stand indicted till the next Sessions, and if it shall not

be repaired within the said time, £10. to be estreated upon the persons that are refractory and make default in repairing the same; [225^b.] forasmuch as complaint hath been made unto this Court that the King's highway at Hollowbanke in the parish of Easby and township of Brompton-on-Swale, leading from Richmond towards Northallerton, is by the River Swale's wearing the banks straitned so as the same is become very dangerous to all persons having occasion to travell that way and will be in a short time unpassable if not enlarged by adding to it part of the land of Will. Barker of Brompton: Ordered that the Surv^{rs}. of highways of Brompton, upon the view and by the allowance of Sir Will. Chaytor and Geo. Smithson, Esq. (who are hereby desired and authorized to view the same) under their hands and seals in writing, do assign and lay out so much of the lands of the said Will. Barker next adjoining to the said way where they shall think it needfull as shall enlarge the said way to be the full breadth of eight yards, or so much broader towards the breadth of eight yards then now it is, by the consent of the said Will. Barker, the said Surv^{rs}. first giving satisfaction for the said ground unto the said Will. Barker according to the Statute; forasmuch as it appears unto this Court by the certificate of the Minister and all or most of the inhab^{ts}. of West Witton in Richmondshire that, upon April 15th last, there happened a sudden and lamentable fire which burnt down a firkin-maker's house and all his household goods together with a great parcel of wood fitted, prepared and intended for making of firkins, his loss in the whole amounting to £50, or near thereabouts, to his utter ruin and impoverishing, unless prevented by the charitable benevolence of Christianlike and well-disposed persons, and for his better assistance in a matter of this nature [he] hath petitioned this Court: this Court therefore comiserating his great loss doth recommend his deplorable condition to all charitable and tender-hearted people aforesaid, [226.] desiring that all parsons, viccars and curates in Richmondshire will recommend the said petitioner's condition to their respective parishioners, inciting them as becomes Christians to contribute their charity in such sort as to them shall seem meet and the said petitioner's condition requires*; upon reading the petition of Peter Hood, Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond: Ordered that an additional sum of £4. be added to his salary and paid by the Thr^r. of Richmondshire, in lieu of the £4. per annum he pays for his house rent, and that he continue the payment thereof etc.

* An Order which, in connection with the general subject of briefs, commends itself to our full attention.

[227.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 4, 1681.

Before Sir Metcalfe Robinson, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Barrington Bourchier, Geo. Smithson, Constable Bradshawe, and Tho. Worsley, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—The C. C. of Gilling East for refusing to pay his proportion for Nunnington Bridge; six lab^{rs}. for riotous and unlawful assembly and assault; three women for rescuing a prisoner from the Constable of Hornby-cum-Thorpe Rawe; the Constable of Masham for neglecting a warrant; four yeomⁿ. for unlawful assembly and forcible entry; a Hewby yeomⁿ. for using the trade of a weaver without having been apprenticed; a Hewby yeomⁿ. for not repairing his fences; the Constable of Exilby for refusing to pay his proportion of hearth-money; a Theakston yeomⁿ. for assault on the collector of hearth-money in the execution of his office; the Constable of Barton for making false returns; a Faceby yeomⁿ. for diverting a watercourse; four cases of stealing; three watercourses stopped; two cases of assault; a case of trespass with damage; two cases of non-repair of highways. Two Bills ignored. [237^b.] Two prisoners tried and acquitted.

[238.] ORDERS made etc.

£4. 7. to be given as a gratuity for Cockerill Bridge; £15. to be estreated for the further repair of Yedingham Bridge and the causeway thereunto adjoining; the Thr^{rs}. to pay 30s. to the Surv^r. for Masham Bridge; £30 to be estreated as a gratuity for the further repair of Seven Bridge; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £3. as a gratuity towards the building a bridge over Ellerbecke; John Sedman, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. of Whitby Strand; a warrant against Chr. Carter, gentⁿ., to cause him to appear at these Sessions to give an acc^t. of the money by him received for the repair of Yafforth Bridge; [238^b.] the difference between the inhab^{ts}. of Great and Little Broughton, touching the election of Churchwardens, Constables and Overseers, to be referred to Sir David Fowlis and Constable Bradshawe, Esq.; 10s. allowed for a loss by fire; the late Surv^r. of the highways of Easby to make their acc^{ts}.; [239.] £8. 2. 8. to be assessed within Broughtons and paid to the Surv^r. for Broughton Bridge, who is to give the inhab^{ts}. there an acc^t. of the particular sums laid down about the bridge; the Thr^{rs}. for L. S. and Hosp^{ls}. to pay the several L. S^s. that are admitted pentioners their quarterly payment as formerly; [239.] the difference depending in this Court between the inhab^{ts}. of Easingwould and those of Stilling-

ton touching the true proportioning of the rates etc. of the two townships, by the unanimous consent of the councill, sollicitors, and inhab^{ts}. on both sides, to be referred to Walter Laythorpe of Copinthorpe and Tho. Cundall of Bishop Monckton, who are hereby authorized to view, survey, and value all the lands of the said townships, and also to take with them such number of persons out of either of the said towns to shew them the said lands as shall be thought fit and reasonable for that purpose, and at the next Easter Sessions to give a true valuation thereof and to make their report of all other their proceedings therein to this Court ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £5 to John Wilkinson, Surv^r. for the country bridges within the North Riding, in part of his salary for inspecting the said bridges ; [240.] Will. Clerke of Kirby Hill and Will Dagget jun. of Roakesby to be C. C^s. for Hallikeld *vice* John Topham and Mich. Wilkinson, gent.ⁿ ; Order in a bastardy case ; Rob. Oxard of Sheriff Hutton to be assessed for his lands at Cornbrough as he was before the last Order of Sessions made for the settling of rates, etc. betwixt him and Mr. Daniel Bolderoe for their lands at Cornbrough until he shew cause etc. ; a gratuity to a L. S.

[241.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 10, 168¹/₂.

Before Sir Will. Cayley, Tho. Worsley and Constable Bradshawe, Esquires.

Will. Lowther, Esquire, High Sheriff : John Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—Four men for unlawful assembly, forcible entry and illegal seizure at Gisbrough ; seven persons for unlawful assembly and assault at Easingwould ; a Harome yeomⁿ. for refusal to pay ass^{ts}. ; a Kirbymooreside yeomⁿ. for dismissing his servant hired for a year at the end of four days ; a Griffey lab^r. and his wife for scandalous words ; an Ainderby Steeple yeomⁿ. for not repairing his fences ; the inhab^{ts}. of Huntington for not electing a Constable ; the Overseer of Ryton for neglecting his office ; a case of stealing ; three cases of assault ; three cases of non-repair of highways. [245.] Three bills ignored.

[246^b.] ORDERS made etc. .

Mem.—That at these Sessions Timothy Bagwith, gentⁿ., in open Court takes the oathes of allegiance and supremacy ; [247.] whereas it appears to this Court that Will. Lockwood, sen^r., of Crake, about ten years ago was out of purse £2. 13. 4. for discharging an indictment

against him and the rest of the inhab^{ts}. of Crake for refusing to pay their proportion of L. S. money and bridge money imposed upon them by this Court, which the said inhab^{ts}. of Crake promised to pay him, and had done it but they were diswaded by one Mr. Will. Freer, an inhab^t. there, and the said Will. Lockwood being Overseer of the poor of Crake this last year, and having a sufficient sum of money in his hands whereby he might repay himself if the said Mr. Freer and the rest of the inhab^{ts}. were willing to comply thereto : Ordered that the said Will Lockwood deteyne out of the moneys he hath in his hands as aforesaid the said sum of £2. 13. 4, unless the said Mr. Freer or some other of the said inhab^{ts}. shew cause etc. [247^b.] 30s. allowed for a loss by fire ; a Hemsley man to pay 6d. per week to the Parish Off^{rs}. of Old Byland for the relief of his mother, and in case of refusal etc. ; gratuities to four L. S. and a widow.

[VOL. A¹⁶. 1.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 17, 168 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Before Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Roger Beckwith, Will. Robinson of Rookeby, Jas. Clayton, sen^r., and Geo. Smithson, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The inhab^{ts}. of Cleasby for not repairing their common pinfold ; a Barningham yeomⁿ. for not repairing his fences ; a Scargill yeomⁿ. for scandalous words to a woman, viz., “ Thou art a known witch ” ; an Ellerton lab^r. and a Long Cowton lab^r. for keeping handguns ; a Long Cowton lab^r. and a Mawnby lab^r. for keeping greyhounds ; a Great Langton lab^r. for keeping nets to catch game ; the Constables of Northallerton for neglecting their office ; the Constable of Gilling for the like ; a Grinton man and woman for assault and rescue of a prisoner ; four persons for unlawful assembly and assault on the Constable ; the Parish Off^{rs}. of Eryholme for contempt of an Order ; two cases of stealing ; three cases of assault ; a case of trespass with damage ; eighteen cases of non-repair of highways ; nine watercourses stopped. Two bills ignored.

[10^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Simon Pickersgill of Ellington to be H. C. for Hang East *vice* Simon Johnson of Swinton ; Tho. Casse of Danby Wiske and Sam. Peacocke of Midleton Tyas sworn C. C^s. for Gilling East ; Will. Clerke of Kirby Hill sworn C. C. of Hallikeld *vice* John Topham, gentⁿ. ; a Kirby Hill man to be supprest from brewing and keeping an inne or alehouse their,

he harbouring and entertaining several highwaymen and other dangerous, lewd, suspicious persons ; the Thir^r. to pay 40s. as a gratuity to the Constable of Hunton and his assistant for their great and meritorious service done for their King and country in apprehending Cholmley Douglas, a daingerous county Bailiff when at liberty ; the Thir^r. to pay £5 as a gratuity to Will. Robinson, Esq., for the releasing Henry Straingeways out of his captivity, being taken prisoner by the Turkes ; [11.] the several C. C^s. in Richmondshire and Allertonshire to send out their several and respective warrants to the Churchwardens within their several hundreds to make monthly returns of all absenter from the church within their respective parishes to the next Justices ; a Kirby Hill man permitted to send out letters of recommendation throughout the division of Richmondshire desiring all well-disposed Christians to commiserate his loss occasioned by a sad and lamentable fire.

[12.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 25, 1682.

Before Sir Will. Cayley, Sir Rich. Graham, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Roger Beckwith, Chas. Tankred, Geo. Smithson, and Constable Bradshawe, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Thornton-le-Moore yeomⁿ. for enclosing part of the highway ; a Northallerton barber for keeping a handgun ; the late Churchwarden of North Otterington for refusing to give in his acc^{ts}. ; a Pickering mayson for extortion under colour of the office of informer ; a Long Cowton lab^r. for forcible entry and illegal seizure ; a Stonegrave yeomⁿ. for non-payment of ass^{ts}. ; two Marton women for the like ; a Riton yeomⁿ. for dismissing his servant without legal cause ; five persons for unlawful assembly at Cleasby and assault on the Deputy Bailiff ; a case of perjury ; a case of illegal seizure ; three cases of assault ; twenty-five watercourses stopped ; eighteen cases of non-repair of highways. [20.] Five bills ignored.

ORDERS made etc.

The Presentments against the inhab^{ts}. of Skeeby and the fines imposed on them for not repairing their highway to be respited till next Sessions ; the inhab^{ts}. of Kirkleavington to contribute equally to the relief of the poor of the said parish according to the true valuation of every man's estate ; [20^b.] Simon Pickersgill of Ellingstring sworn C. C. for Hang East ; John Tanfeild of Cathropp to be C. C. for

Hallikeld *vice* Mich. Wilkinson ; Mr. Will. Dale to be confirmed in the Governorship of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske *vice* Mr. Tho. Nicholson, deceased, he having been continued in the said place since it was vacant and discharged himself well therein, and to be continued in the said Governorship so long as he shall well behave himself therein or this Court do Order the contrary ; £4. allowed for a loss by fire ; the difference between the inhab^{ts}. of Easingwould and Stillington referred to two gentⁿ., and in case the said gentⁿ. do not meet and take a view of the said townships and make their report to this Court, and the said inhab^{ts}. of Stillington then shew not good cause for the continuing their complaint, the whole proceedings to be dismist ; [21.] Geo. Staines of Pickeringe, Tho. Skelton of Wrelton, Will. Robinson of Hilberby-Hall, and Tho. Watson of Cunihills to appear at the next Sessions that the Court may pitch upon two of them for C. C^s. for Pickering Lyth *vice* Mr. Rich. Atkinson and Mr. Tho. Waine ; Mr. Chr. Denton of Nawton to be C. C. for Rydall *vice* Rich. Man, gentⁿ. ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £22. and £48. to be estreated for How Bridge ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £15. and £15. to be estreated for Cover Bridge ; [21^b.] £7. 10. to be paid by the Thr^{rs}. and £12. 10. to be estreated and paid to the gentⁿ. who are appointed Surv^{rs}. for Barnard Castle Bridge so far as concerns this Riding and Butterford Piller ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £7. 10., and £12. 10. to be estreated for Deepdale Bridge ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £8. for Kirkeham Bridge ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay 20s. for Skipton and Becke Bridge ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £5 for Malton Bridge ; [22.] the Thr^{rs}. to pay £7. for Smeaton *alias* Wiske Bridge ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £13. 9. 5. for Shack[elt]on Bridge.

At Middleham, by adjournment, May 15, 1682.

£100 to be estreated for Skeeby, Willow, Wath, and other Bridges ; Surv^{rs}. appointed for Willow and Skeeby Bridges.

[23.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 11, 1682.

Before Sir Hugh Cholmley, Sir Will. Cayley, Tho. Worsley, Chas. Tankred, and Constable Bradshaw, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The Constable of Sand Hutton for neglecting his office ; a Rivalx lab^t. for forcible entry on Lord Fawconberge's grove and for cutting and carrying away twenty seales* ; an Alne yeomⁿ. for scandalous words ; the Deputy Bailiff of Langbarugh for extortion under colour of his office in two cases ; an Alne yeomⁿ. for assault on the

* Sallows or willow-plants.

Constable ; a Pickering blacksmith for assault on his apprentice ; four cases of trespass with damage ; two cases of illegal seizure ; a case of stealing ; five cases of non-repair of highways ; two cases of assault. [26^b.] One bill ignored.

[27.] ORDERS made etc.

Geo. Staines of Pickering, gentⁿ., and Tho. Watson of Cunihills, gentⁿ., sworn C. C^s. of Pickering Lyth *vice* Mr. Rich. Allison and Mr. Tho. Waine ; John Bell of Dalton to be C. C. for Birdforth *vice* Simon Lumley, gentⁿ. ; £15. to be estreated for Whitby Bridge.

[27^b.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 18, 1682.

Before Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Jos. Cradocke, Sir Edm. Jenings, Tho. Metcalfe, Will. Robinson of Rookeby, and Geo. Smithson, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :— A man and a woman of Brompton for refusal to pay ass^t.; the Constables of Reeth and of Cleasby for neglecting their office ; a Preston yeomⁿ. for killing moore game with a handgun ; the Constables of Mewker for contempt of a warrant ; three persons of Grinton for stopping a footpath ; a Bowes yeomⁿ. for not repairing his fences ; a Swinton man for contempt of an Order ; a Swinton man for forcible entry ; three persons of Reeth for forcible entry and assault ; a Gisbrough farmer for selling butter under weight ; a watercourse stopped ; five cases of non-repair of highways ; two cases of assault ; a case of illegal seizure ; a case of trespass with damage ; a case of forcible entry and illegal seizure.

[31^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas by a former Order £20. was estreated for building a bridge over the river of Wiske at Apleton and paid to Tho. Lascells of Northallerton, Esq., and Mr. Will. Carter of Apleton, who were appointed Surv^{rs}., and it appearing to this Court that the said Surv^{rs}. have never yet perfected their acc^{ts}. before any J.P., and that there is yet remaining in their hands £7. 14, they agreeing with the workmen for building the said bridge for the sum of £16, of which sum they never paid the said workmen £3. 14. : Ordered that the said Tho. Lascells and the executors or administrators of the said Will. Carter (who is since dead) appear before two Justices who are to examine

their acc^{ts}., as well for the £4 remaining in their hands of the money granted as aforesaid more then what they agreed for, as also for the said £3. 14. which wrongfully they detain from the said workmen, and to make their report, etc.; Wensley Bridge and Bainebridge to be viewed by John Wilkinson, Surv^r. for bridges, who is to give an account to Tho. Metcalfe, Esq., and Jas. Clayton, Esq., what sums will be necessary for repairing the said bridges, who are desired for the benefit of the country and for preventing the great charge that may fall upon the same if the said bridge be not speedily repaired, to deposit the money and to give an acc^t. thereof next Sessions, which sum this Court doth Order shall be estreated upon the whole Riding to reimburse them; [32.] whereas a highway in the Constabulary of Rookeby was presented at Thirske Sessions October 5, 1680, and hath since been repaired at the charge of the tennants and occupiers of the lands held under Tho. Rookeby, Esq. in Rookeby and Morton, althrough the then occupiers of the lands held under Tho. Robinson, Esq., and Frances Robinson, widow, in Rookeby aforesaid ought to have assisted in and been contributory to the repair of the said highway and the procuring a discharge touching the same out of the Sessions, the charge whereof in all amounts to £4, of which the then occupiers of lands under the said Tho. and Frances Robinson ought to bear a third part: Ordered that an ass^t. be made by the Constable and Surv^s. of the highways and two or more substantial inhab^{ts}. in Rookeby and Morton for the raising the said £4, unto which the then tennants and occupiers of lands under the said Tho. and Frances Robinson shall be assessed 26s. 8d., and the same ass^t. to be seen and perused by two of the next Justices and to be afterwards collected by the Constable and paid for the reimbursing the said tennants of the said Tho. Rookeby the moneys by them paid, and if any person or persons so assessed, not having a sufficient cause to complain to the said Justices of his being unjustly charged or overcharged, shall refuse to pay, etc.; whereas it appears that Brompton Bridge by the late violent floods is fallen down and that it was of general use to the country, though to be repaired by the inhab^{ts}. of Brompton, but they being poor and not able to build the same again at their own charge, this Court being credibly informed that the building the said bridge again and making it a bridge for cart and carriage, (at the least) will cost £60, doth Order that £30 be estreated and given as a gratuity towards building the said bridge; [32^b.] whereas the inhab^{ts}. of Whiteside are indicted for not repairing a highway and have entered their traverse at these Sessions that the whole buseyness shall come to a hearing next Richmond Sessions, and the said inhab^{ts}. of Whiteside making their complaint that they are vexatiously indicted for not repairing the said way, for that the same

ought to be repaired by Myles Freer and John Garth of Whiteside, and not by the inhab^{ts}. there in general, for the regulating of which and for preventing of charges for the future : Ordered that the whole buseyness be referred to Tho. Metcalfe, Esq., who is to view the said way and to take a hearing of the buseyness on both sides and to make his report thereof, etc., and it is further Ordered, that whereas the Bayliff of Gilling West and his deputies distrained several of the inhabitants' goods there for the sum of £10, estreated upon them as a fine for not repairing the said way, that the said inhabitants paying the Bayliff fees allowed him by the statute and moderate charges for keeping the said goods, that he make restitution of them ; Surv^{rs}. appointed for Dalton Bridge, who are Ordered to disburse what moneys may be convenient for the repair of the same so they exceed not the sum of £5, and to give an acc^t. etc. ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £32. 2. 6. for Skeeby Bridge ; [33.] the Thr^{rs}. to pay £11. 2. 6. for Willow Bridge ; £3. 2. 6. for Wath Bridge ; £1. 7. 6. for Leeming Bridge ; £7. 2. 6. for Smeaton alias Wiske Bridge.

[33.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 3, 1682.

Before Sir Hugh Cholmley, Sir Henry Marwood, Sir Rich. Grahame, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Roger Beckwith, Chas. Tancred, and Constable Bradshaw, Esquires, and, by adjournment, at Stoxley, October 19.

Before Sir Henry Marwood, Sir Tho. Pennyman, and Constable Bradshaw, Esquire.

Presentments :—A Welbury yeomⁿ. for bribing a lab^t. to commit perjury ; an Easingwold Clerk for scandalous words ; a Raskelfe gentⁿ. for keeping a greyhound ; two Sutton-on-the-Forest lab^{rs}. for extortion under pretext of being common informers ; a case of perjury ; two cases of assault ; a case of trespass with damage ; seven cases of non-repair of highways. [37.] Four bills ignored.

ORDERS made etc.

Tho. Smallwood, gentⁿ., and Jas. Peares, gentⁿ., sworn C. C^s. for Langbarugh ; the inhab^{ts}. of Rookewith, Thirne and Clifton, being all but one Constabulary, to pay for the future proportionably respectively according to the rates of the said several townships for repairing the highways within the said Constabulary as often as need requires ; it appearing to this Court that the Surv^{rs}. for Dalton

Bridge have disburst the sum of £5 : Ordered that the Thrs. repay them the said sum ; [37^b.] £18. 18. 5. to be estreated to reimburse the Surv^{rs}. for Cover Bridge ; the inhab^{ts}. of Castle Leavington to contribute for the future towards the relief of the poor of Low Worsell ; Mr. Rob. Bell, Thr^r, to pay £40. as a gratuity for the repair of Robin Hood Bay Bridge, and four Justices desired to view the said bridge and make their report etc. ; the inhab^{ts}. of Pickton and Kirke Levington to contribute towards the maintenance of the poor of Low Worsill unless they shew cause etc. ; £35 to be estreated and given as a gratuity for finishing the repair of Seamer Bridge ; John Bell of Dalton sworn C. C. of Birdforth *vice* Mr. Simon Lumley ; Mr. Rob. Bell to pay £5 to Mr. Will. Dale, Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ., for reimbursing him the moneys by him disburst in repairing a barn belonging to the said Ho. of Corrⁿ. ; [38.] £45. to be estreated for Burne Bridge ; £28. to be estreated for finishing the repair of Yafforth Bridge ; £12. for Wensley Bridge ; £6. for Banebrig Bridge.

[38^b.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 9, 168 $\frac{2}{3}$.

Before Sir Will. Cayley, Sir Henry Marwood, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Tho. Worsley, Chas. Tancred, and Constable Bradshaw, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Ambrose Pudsey, Esq. : John Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—A Preston yeomⁿ. for assault on the Constable of Yarome ; two Whitby sailors and an inne-holder for conspiring to bribe a man to assault a gentⁿ. ; a Clerk of Ormsby for scandalous words against a Justice ; six cases of non-repair of highways ; a watercourse stopped. [40^b.] One bill ignored.

ORDERS made etc.

Will. Coverdale of Hawksworth and Jas. Boyes of Whitby to appear before a J.P. that one of them which he shall think most fit may be sworn C. C. for Whitby Strand *vice* John Sedman, gentⁿ., and in case of refusal etc. ; the Thrs. to pay £20. for the further repair of Yafforth Bridge.

[41.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 16, 1683.

Before Sir Will. Chaytor, Will. Robinson of Rookeby, Jas. Clayton, sen^r, and Geo. Smithson, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Tho. Snaith of Hartington, yeomⁿ., for not repairing to the parish church ; the Clerk of Scruton for refusal to pay ass^{ts}. ; Mich. Wrightson of Lartington, yeomⁿ., Matth. Hutchinson, John Bowran of Cotherston, Rob. Lodge and Will. Clayton of Masham for not repairing to the parish church etc. ; a case of unlawful assembly and assault at Startforth ; an Aisgarth man and a Burton man for using the trade of a house-wright without legal apprenticeship ; a Whiteside yeomⁿ. for enclosing part of the highway ; an Askrig yeomⁿ. for using the trade of a joyner etc. ; a case of illegal seizure ; a watercourse stopped ; a case of trespass with damage ; two cases of assault ; eleven cases of non-repair of highways. [45.] Four bills ignored.

[45^b.] ORDERS made etc.

A man settled at Bedall, and if he shall wander and begg abroad in the country he shall be deemed an idle vagrant and sent to the Ho. of Corr^r. ; money to be estreated in Richmondshire for the pentions of such L. S^s. as the Justices shall think convenient to continue there in pursuance of an Act of the 43 of Elizth. Cap. iii. ; a fine of £10 to be imposed upon the inhab^{ts}. of Hunderthwaite if they do not repair the highway for which they stand indicted ; whereas we have a letter from the Justices of the County Pallatine of Durham setting forth the great pains, trouble, and charges of Will. Bows, Esq., J.P., for the said county, in the faithfull managing the suite and several motions both at the Assizes at Durham as also in the King's Bench for several terms against Sir Henry Marwood about the fishgarth by him erected, which after long arguing of councell was Ordered by the Court of King's Bench to be totally abaited, which was by the High Sheriff and his officers done accordingly, to the general benefit of that county and of this North Riding, upon due consideration had thereupon, Ordered that the Thrs^s. of this Riding shall pay unto Rob. Johnson of Barnard Castle, gentⁿ., £30, for the doing thereof this Order shall be your and every of your discharge* ; [46.] £4. to be estreated for and towards the loss sustained

* I have not met with any other memorandum of this action besides the present one. Sir Henry Marwood's portrait is said by Mr. Ord to have been painted "holding the Langbargh Roll in his hand." It would seem probable that, in virtue of his holding the wapentake as Bailiff thereof, he attempted to set up some claims

by Hugh Robinson and Ralph Weatherill by the River Wiske overflowing their meadows, occasioned by the workmen who were employed in repairing the county bridge at Yafford damming up the said river, of which sum the said Hugh Robinson is to have £3, and the said Ralph Wetherill 20s.; the difference depending here between the inhabts. of Whiteside and Miles Frear referred to Tho. Metcalfe, Esquire.

[46^b.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 17, 1683.

Before Sir Will. Cayley, Sir Metcalfe Robinson, Sir Henry Marwood, Sir Rich. Graihme, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Barrington Bourchier, Tho. Worsley, Chas. Tancred, and Geo. Smithson, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A Bedall miller for not repairing his fences; a Reeth blacksmith for entering a house and opening a chest with a key; a Crake man for entering a warren and killing rabbits with snares; two Ripon men for illegal arrest and extortion; three Exilby men for stopping a highway; two cases of stealing; seven cases of non-repair of highways; a watercourse stopped. [49^b.] A prisoner tried and acquitted.

[50.] ORDERS made etc.

Order in a bastardy case; Mr. Will. Willey of Holme and Mr. Rich. Lumley of Northallerton to be C. C^s. for Allertonshire *vice* Mr. Jas. Wasse and Mr. John Browne; £3. 11. to be estreated for repairing Thirkleby Bridge, with 8s. 6d. which remains in the hands of a Thirkleby gentⁿ, which he is to pay towards rebuilding the same, which said sum of £3. 11. is to be paid to the said gentⁿ, who is hereby appointed Surv^r. for the said bridge, to see the said sum honestly disbursed towards the repairing the same; Lancelott Browne of Baldersby and Will. Raper of Howe to be C. C^s. for Hallikeld *vice* Mr. Michell Wilkinson and Will. Clerke; whereas at the last Richmond Sessions it was Ordered that £30. should be paid as a gratuity to Will. Bowes, Esq., J.P., for manadgeing a suite against Sir Henry Marwood for the fish-garth by him erected over the River Tease, by the Thr^{rs}. for this Riding, £10 of which sum was paid by Mr. Tho. Lightfoot, Thr^r. for Richmondshire, as his proportion: Ordered that Mr. Rob. Bell, Thr^r,

to a fishery in the Tees of such a nature as to make litigation between him and the Durham folks unavoidable. This is but a surmise, but possibly not quite without foundation. Fishing and fisheries are mentioned in the Charter referred to.

shall not pay the £20. that remains unpaid and granted as aforesaid ; [50^b.] £6. 13. i. to be estreated upon the inhab^{ts}. of Whiteyside according to their several antient rents and paid to a Whiteyside man towards the reimbursing him the sum by him disburst in the behalf of the whole inhab^{ts}. aforesaid touching a traverse about Gaile Lane formerly depending in this Court, and which was referred to Tho. Metcalfe, Esq., who accordingly hath made his report thereof to this Court ; upon a full hearing of all parties, with their councell, for the towns of Easingwold and Stillington touching the value of their respective lands in order to the settling the rates there : by the unanimous consent of the whole bench, Ordered that in all ass^{ts}., etc., for the future the said inhab^{ts}. of Easingwold and Stillington shall pay for their respective fees as they do at this present ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £4. as a gratuity to Chas. Tancred, Esq., for reimbursing the inhab^{ts}. of Bilsdale the money by them disburst for the repair of New Town Bridge, as also for the money they shall disburse for several other bridges they have to repair ; £3. to be estreated for Dalton Bridge ; 40s. for Skipton Bridge ; whereas it appears to this Court that the inhab^{ts}. of Stainton, Thornton, and Stainsby are much charged with poor people, and that the inhab^{ts}. of Ingleby Barwicke and the inhab^{ts}. living at Leaven Bridge in the parish of Stainton, and the inhab^{ts}. of Maltby, Hembleington and Thornaby, all within the said parish, have few or no poor within them : Ordered that the said inhab^{ts}. of Ingleby Barwicke, the inhab^{ts}. of Leaven Bridge, the inhab^{ts}. of Maltby, Hemlington, and Thornaby shall in all ass^{ts}. for the poor for the future pay and contribute to the inhab^{ts}. of Stainton, Thornton, and Stainsey according to their several proportions and in pursuance of the Statute ; [51.] £80. to be estreated for the money expended about the repair of Yafforth Bridge and what the same will further require before it be finished, to be paid to the Thr^r. till further Order, £30. of which is to be disposed of according to the Clerk of the Peace ; £15. to be estreated for Cover Bridge ; £15. for Masham Bridge ; £10. for Pickering Bridge.

[51^b.] NEW MALTON.

Qu. Sessions at, July 10, 1683.

Before Sir Will. Cayley, Tho. Worsley, and Chas. Tancred, Esquires. High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Salton gentⁿ. for not repairing the banks of a watercourse ; one highway not repaired ; three cases of stealing. [52^b.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[53.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 17, 1683.

Before Sir Metcalfe Robinson, Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Jos. Cradocke, Tho. Metcalfe, Will. Robinson of Rokeby, Will. Bowes, Jas. Clayton, sen^r, and Geo. Smithson, Esquires.

Presentments:—A Marricke lab^r. for not repairing his fences; a Marricke man for contemptuous words against a Justice; a Masham man for stopping a way; two Startforth men for making a dam in the river and killing young salmon; the inhab^{ts}. of Kirby Wiske for not repairing a footbridge; a watercourse stopped; a case of stealing; three cases of trespass with damage; five cases of non-repair of highways.

[56.] ORDERS made etc.

Mich. Wilson, late C. C. for Hallikeld, to pass his acc^{ts}. within ten days, and in case of refusal etc.; Lancelott Browne, gentⁿ., and Will. Raper, gentⁿ., sworn C. C^s. for Hallikeld; £35. 2. 3. to be paid by the Thr^{rs}. according to their respective proportions to two workmen at Yafforth Bridge, for paying the arrears and carrying on the work about the said bridge; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £7. for Wath Bridge, and the said sum to be estreated at the next Sessions for reimbursing the Thr^{rs}.

[57.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 2, 1683.

Before Sir Hugh Cholmley, Sir Metcalfe Robinson, Sir Henry Marwood, Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Roger Strickland, Sir Barrington Bourchier, Chas. Tancred, and Constable Bradshaw, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A Whitby yeomⁿ. for using the trade of a dyer without legal apprenticeship; a case of extortion; two cases of assault; eight cases of non-repair of highways.

[60.] ORDERS made etc.

Reeth Bridge being out of repair this Court doth desire the Right Hon^{ble}. the Marquesse of Winchester to appoint Surv^{rs}. to oversee the said work and to disburs moneys about the compleating thereof so that they exceed not the sum of £20, all the which sum upon their delivering a true acc^t. in writing shall be repaid unto them by the

Thr^{rs}. ; £6. 0. 9. to be estreated for reimbursing the money already expended about Bainbridge Bridge ; the moneys paid for the relief of poor prisoners in Yorke Castle to be paid and distributed as formerly, as well to poor debtors as felons, their necessity and indegency being first considered ; whereas there is a causway about Long Coup forty score yards in length in the Constabulary of East Witton which ought to be repaired at the common charge of the said Constabulary, and for which, being ruinous, the inhab^{ts}. of the said Constabulary have been indicted, and yet two widows have been at the whole charge : Ordered that for the future the said way shall be repaired at the common charge of the whole Constabulary, and that they shall equally contribute towards the charge the said widows have been at about the same, the said widows bearing their full proportions thereof as they usually pay to other taxes and ass^{ts}. ; the sum of £44. 7. 3. expended about the traverse at the Assizes with the inhab^{ts}. of the West Riding for Ripon North Bridge by Allan Chamber, Clerk of the Peace for this Riding, and 10s. by him given by Order of the Justices to the Marquisse of Winchester, Keeper, to be repaid him by the Thr^{rs}. ; [60^b.] 25s. to be paid to the Surv^r. for Thirkeleby Bridge ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay out of the moneys remaining in their hands which was estreated for Yafforth Bridge £7. to a workman, which is owing him for work done at the same bridge, and 30s. to a Yafforth man for satisfying him for the damage he received by the workmen concerned for the said bridge in his ground, either of them giving a general discharge upon receipt of the said money ; Mr. Rob. Bell to pay a man £3. for the woodwork he hath done about Yafforth Bridge ; whereas the Thr^r. for Richmondshire hath not moneys in his hand wherewith to reimburse the Clerk of the Peace and his assistants the moneys by them expended in management of a traverse at the Assizes with the inhab^{ts}. of the West Riding touching the repair of Ripon North Bridge, and to gratify them for their pains : Ordered that £21. 17. 9. be estreated throughout Richmondshire and paid to the Thr^r., it being his proportion of the sum which was Ordered to be paid by the Thr^{rs}. to the said Clerk of the Peace and his assistants for the buseyness aforesaid, and that he pay the same accordingly.

[61.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 14, 168³₄.

Before Sir Hugh Cholmley, Sir Will. Cayley, Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Tho. Worsley, Chas. Tancred, and Constable Bradshaw, Esquires.

BALANCE SHEET.—JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31, 1889.

Receipts.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Balance in Bank	84 15 5	To Dr. Atkinson, editing Vol. VII.
Subscriptions for 1889	127 1 0	,, Messrs. Woodfall & Kinder, printing and publishing same
Subscription for 1890	1 1 0	,, Petty Expenses
Back Numbers sold	4 13 4	,, Balance in Bank
Bank Interest	2 16 0	
		£220 6 9

Payments.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	50 0 0	
	100 10 0	
	1 1 0	
	68 15 9	
		£220 6 9

Audited and found correct, W. S. CHARLTON.

Northallerton, December 21, 1889.

NORTH RIDING RECORD SOCIETY.

In consequence of the alteration in the date of Quarter Sessions the ANNUAL MEETING of the Society will not be held as usual.

The Secretary will be glad to hear from Members what day and place of meeting will be most convenient to the majority.

24, OLD SQUARE,
LINCOLN'S INN.

January 1, 1890.

Sir Bryan Stapleton, High Sheriff: Will. Rudd, gentⁿ, Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—Two cases of perjury; a highway not repaired.

[62.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas it appears to this Court that by the late floods and great storms of this winter Whitby Bridge is much ruined, so that if speedy care be not taken for the repair thereof the whole bridge may be in danger to be driven away, which if not speedily prevented may be of very great charge to the country, and Sir Hew Cholmley being willing to deposit moneys for the repairing the same: Ordered that what moneys he shall make appear he hath expended about the repair thereof shall at the next General Sessions be estreated for reimbursing him, and that for the present Mr. Rob. Bell, Thir^r. for this Division, do out of the country stock furnish the said Sir Hugh Cholmley with £30. which sum is to be reimbursed by estreat to be made at the said Sessions; Order in a bastardy case; whereas the inhab^{ts}. of Apleton, Swinton and Amotherby stand indicted for not repairing a highway, and it appearing to this Court that the inhab^{ts}. of Apleton are not liable to repair the same: Ordered that they, paying their due fees to the Court, shall be acquitted from the said indictment, and that the inhab^{ts}. of Swinton and Amotherby stand charged upon the said indictment until they submit or acquit themselves upon their traverse.

[63.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 22, 168 $\frac{3}{4}$.

Before Sir Hugh Cholmley, Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Jos. Cradocke, Will. Robinson of Rookeby, Will. Bowes, and Geo. Smithson, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The Constables of Laytons Ambo, of Dalton-cum-Gailes, and of Cathericke for neglecting their office; a Cowburne lab^r. for forcible entry and illegal seizure; two Askrig men for stopping a highway with a heap of rubbish; a Startforth yeom^a. for keeping a dog, nets and a gun; a case of trespass with damage; three cases of stealing; a case of illegal seizure.

[65.] ORDERS made etc.

Forasmuch as it appears unto this Court that Elias Bannocke, a Frenchman, a taylor by trade, was forced to fly into this realm for

his preservation, and is desirous to set up his trade : this Court doth therefore Order and tollerate him to use and exercise his trade and to take an apprentice ; whereas it appears to this Court that there is a bridge called Celset Bridge standing over the River Lime towards the head thereof, which is very ruinous, so that several persons hath been in great danger of losing their lives, and several carriages and loaden horses have received much prejudice : Ordered that the Th'rt. for Richmondshire pay £3. 6. 8. towards the repair of the same, and this Court doth recommend the same to the next General Sessions at Thirske, and desires the Bench there to grant the additional sum of twenty nobles as a gratuity for the further repair of the same ; a fine of 40s. to be imposed upon the inhab'ts. of Scorton if they do not repair the way for which they stand indicted before next Midsummer Sessions.

[66.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 8, 1684.

Before Sir Will. Caley, Sir Metcalfe Robinson, Sir Barrinton Bourchier, Chas. Tancred, Jas. Clayton, sen^r., Geo. Smithson, and Constable Bradshaw, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Norton-in-Luto lab^r. for shooting a hare with a handgun ; a case of riotous and unlawful assembly ; a case of stealing ; two cases of assault ; five cases of non-repair of highways.

[69.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas the £20. formerly granted for the repair of Reeth Bridge will not be sufficient, the said bridge having other breaches made in it by the violent floods of last winter : Ordered that £13. additional be estreated together with the said £20. and paid to the Surv^rs. ; the £30. deposited out of the Treasury by Mr. Rob. Bell to be estreated and paid to the said Mr. Rob. Bell ; whereas it appears to this Court by the letter of the Right Hon. the Marquesse of Winchester that John Hutton of Maske, Esq., hath a design to build a bridge over the River Swale betwixt Downham and Maske, and is willing to be at a great part of the charge, desiring the assistance of this Court : this Court doth therefore desire four Justices to view the place and to make their report whether a bridge there will be advantageous or no ; Mr. Bell to pay £6 as a gratuity for his Division for the repair of Celsett Bridge in pursuance of an Order made the last Richmond Sessions ; £340. to be estreated for the repair of Yarome, Pickering and several other country bridges which are much ruinated by the late winter flouds, and to be paid to

the Thrs. proportionably as in other payments, and the Undertakers of Catterick Bridge repair to be . . . * by this Court of bringing the water in a direct line to the said bridges; the Thrs. to pay 9s. 6d. to the Surv'. for Topcliff Little Bridge and Thornton Bridge; the Thrs. to pay £5 to the Surv'. for Bridges for his half year's sallery; Ordered that Will. Dale, Gov'. of the Ho. of Corr'. at Thirske, have yearly added to his sallery £4, conditionally that he, at his own particular charge, keep the said House during his said Governorship in good and sufficient repair, and Mr. Bell to pay 40s. to the said Mr. Dale which he is out of purse in repairing the said House; the Pickering Marishes man who was indicted for a ryott and fined £20, to be committed to Yorke Castle until he pay the said fine with the fees of the Court.

[70.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 29, 1684.

Before Henry Marwood, Tho. Worsley, Chas. Tancred, Constable Bradshawe, and John Hill, jun'. Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—The Constable of Stoxley for refusing to pay an ass'.; the late Churchwarden of Kirby for refusing to deliver a pledge for the payment of £5. for the use of the poor of Kirby to the Overseer there; five men for using the trade of a grocer without legal apprenticeship; two cases of stealing; a watercourse stopped; four cases of assault.

[72.] ORDERS made etc.

Mr. Rob. Bell to pay £20. for the repair of Pickering Bridge out of £340. by him received for the repair of the country bridges in decay within this Riding; Mr. Bell to pay £20. for the repair of Newshain Bridge; Ordered by the Court and agreed on by the Jury that desenters and absenters from the church presented by the Petty Constables be only indicted for absenting from the church for three Sundays last past; [72^b.] Ordered that process of re. fa. be made and issued out against all desenters and others that are indicted or presented at these Sessions, and the usual and legal process against all other persons heretofore indicted or informed against, and that the

* This is left blank in the original. The inference necessarily is that deviations of the channel had been occasioned by the recent floods in the cases of the several bridges specified, and that the "Undertakers" or Overseers of the works in either case were to be at charges for the end of restoring the old channels—by aid probably of the "weares" mentioned in previous entries, and similar works:—or, failing that, of creating new ones as near the direct line of the old ones as might be effected.

respective Baliffes of each weapentake and their Deputies do make particular returns in writing of what they shall severally do in pursuance of such process ; Ordered that if any person presented at these Sessions for excusancy* shall within a month before the next General Sessions or at any time betwixt now and then pay 3s. due upon the said presentment, or bring a certificate in writing under the hands of the Parish Off^{rs}. of the respective places where they live that they have paid the same to the use of the poor there, and pay all due fees to the Clerk of the Peace, that then no further process shall be issued out against them.

[73.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, August 5, 1684.

Before Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Jos. Cradocke, Sir Will. Bowes, Geo. Smithson, and Jas. Clayton, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Thornton Steward yeomⁿ. for killing hares ; Jas. Janson of Laburne, linenweaver, and Stephen Wine of Carleton, yeomⁿ., with other persons unknown, for unlawful assembly in the house of Math. Hutchingson at Laburne under colour of the exercise of religious worship in another mode than according to the liturgy and practice of the Church ; a Thornton Steward lab^r. for assault on the Constable ; the same man for threats against the C. C. of Hang West ; the inhab^{ts}. of Kirby Wiske, of Northallerton and of Thornton-le-Beanes for not repairing their pinfolds ; two Screwton yeomⁿ. for scandalous words ; a Sutton yeomⁿ. for keeping a dog which bites sheep ; three men for stopping a watercourse ; three cases of trespass with damage ; a case of assault ; a case of illegal seizure ; Rich. Routh of Hawes, yeomⁿ., Mich. Robinson of Countersett, yeomⁿ., Mich. Prat of Worton, yeomⁿ., Rob. Lodge of Masham, butcher, Edm. Harrison of Richmond, hosier, Will. Arundell of Healey, yeomⁿ., and Jas. Janson of Laburne, linen-weaver, to the number of twenty persons, more or less, for unlawful assembly in the house of the aforesaid Jas. Janson under colour of the exercise of religious worship, etc. †

* It is so written both in the Order itself, and in the margin at the side of the Order.

† No possible clue is given in the entry itself as to the sect or denomination to which these persons were attached. They may have been Quakers, Independents, or what not, for anything to indicate the contrary. They were probably not Roman Catholics.

[76^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas by a former Order four Justices were desired to view a place betwixt Downham and Maske where it was reported to the Court by the Right Hon^{ble}. the Marquess of Winchester and John Hutton of Maske, Esq., that a bridge over the River Swale would be very advantagious to the country, and the said Justices having satisfied the Court that a bridge there will be very beneficial : this Court doth therefore recommend the whole business to the next General Sessions, desiring them to contribute by way of gratuity towards the assisting the said Mr. Hutton in building the same what they shall think convenient ; £6. to be paid by Mr. Lightfoot for the immediate repair of Deepdale Bridge ; Mr. Lightfoot to pay 20s. as a gratuity to Mr. Chr. Banes for taking and apprehending a lewd, dangerous person suspected to be a highwayman ; I do upon my own view present Deepdale Bridge in the parish of Rumboldchurch to be very ruinous and that the inhab^{ts}. of the North Riding ought to repair the same* ; [77] the Thrs^s. to pay £10 towards the charge of repairing Morton Bridge, and this shall be a sufficient discharge unto them for so much moneys paid out of the bridge moneys remaining in their hands ; the Thrs^s. to pay £32 for the repair of Catherick Bridge, and so much of Pearce Bridge as of right the inhab^{ts}. of this Riding ought to repair : [Signed] Will. Chaytor, Jas. Clayton, Geo. Smithson.

[77^b.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions, October 7, 1684.

Before Sir Hugh Cholmley, Sir Will. Caley, Sir Will. Hustler, Sir Rich. Graham, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Roger Strickland, Sir [Barrington] Bourchier, Tho. Worsley, Chas. Tancred, Jas. Clayton, sen^r., Geo. Smithson, Constable Bradshaw, and John Hill, jun^r., Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentsments :—Four firkiners for making butter firkins weighing more than 8 lbs. which could not contain 56 lbs. of butter ; a Scalby man for keeping a common disordered alehouse ; two Burniston yeomⁿ. for keeping greyhounds ; a miller of Sutton-under-Whitstoncliffe for paying a gilded shilling instead of a guinea ; a Stainton lab^r. for scandalous

* This is a literal copy of the last entry on f. 76 of the volume of Minutes and Orders, backed "1681 to 1685." It is in the same handwriting as that of the rest of the entries. But there is no other means of identifying the "I" of the entry. He may have been—probably was—the Clerk of the Peace for the time.

words, viz.—“Thou art a rogue, and never followed anything but roguish offices : thou was a presse master and none but rogues will undertake any such base office”; a Newbrough yeomⁿ. for refusing to pay his servant his wages ; a Raskelfe yeomⁿ. for refusal to pay an ass^t. ; three farmers for selling butter under weight ; a case of unlawful assembly and assault ; two cases of trespass with damage ; a case of extortion ; five cases of assault ; four cases of stealing.

[81^b.] ORDERS made etc.

£ . . 5. 17. 6.* to be estreated for reimbursing the Surv^r. for Whitby Bridge ; £25. 14. 3. for reimbursing the Surv^r. for Newsham Bridge ; £3. 18. 6. as a gratuity for reimbursing the Surv^r. for Robin Hood Bay Bridge ; the Thrs^s. to pay £1. 6. 8. to the Surv^r. for Malton Bridge ; £6 to be estreated for reimbursing the Thrs^s. for Richmondshire the money by him paid to the Surv^r. for Deepdale Bridge ; whereas John Hutton of Maske, Esq., hath promised to this Court to build a stone bridge for cart and carriages over the River Swale betwixt Downholme and Maske, which will be of great use and benefit to the whole country, standing in a public road leading to several towns of great trade and resort, in consideration of which and that the said Mr. Hutton will build the said bridge at his own proper charge and expend about the said work above £200 : Ordered that the Thrs^s. pay out of the Treasury £100. for the carrying on the said work, at two several times, £50. each time ; [82.] whereas the inhab^{ts}. of Newton-on-Ouse and Tollerton have been at great charge in repairing a stone bridge standing upon the forest in the highway leading from Yorke to Newcastle and of general use to the whole country : Ordered that the Thrs^s. shall pay £10. as a gratuity to the Constables of Newton-on-Ouse and Tollerton towards the charges by them expended about the repair of the said bridge ; the Thrs^s. to pay a Northallerton gentⁿ. £5. for the repair of Wiske Bridge *alias* Horden Bridge ; upon a reference to Sir Metcalfe Robinson and Sir Rich. Grahme about the regulating the ass^{ts}., etc. in the hamlet of Upsland in the Constabulary of Kirklington at the general request of all the freeholders there, the said Sir Rich. Grahme, by his certificate to this Court, doth declare that upon hearing the allegations of all parties concerned that they have agreed and awarded that in all ass^{ts}. which shall lawfully come hereafter against the said hamlet they shall be proportioned as followeth, viz.—that Mr. John Green’s lands and Tho. Hoppe’s lands within the said hamlet of Upsland shall pay two parts of three of all such ass^{ts}.

* A bit of the leaf has decayed out of the part preceding these figures, and it is as nearly certain as can be that a figure has been lost before the 5.

and that the lands of all the rest of the freeholders shall only pay after a third part of the said charge, which apportionment of the said rates, etc., this Court doth hereby confirm and doth Order that the former Order herein made to the contrary shall be null and void ; the Thrs. to pay £30. for the repair of Catherick Bridge ; [82^b.] whereas the sum of £30. was formerly Ordered to be estreated for the repair of Pickering Bridge of which Mr. Bell hath paid his proportion (£20) : Ordered that Mr. Lightfoot pay his proportion (£10) to the Surv'. for the said bridge ; the Thrs. to pay £10. for Kilgram Bridge ; Sir Hugh Cholmley having given in his acc^{ts}. of the £30 formerly granted for the repair of Whitby Bridge and £40 granted for Robinhood Bay Bridge, this Court is well satisfied, and doth hereby Order that he shall be discharged of both the said sums ; £100. to be estreated for repair of Newsham and Howe Bridge ; £100. to be paid as followeth out of the Treasury as a gratuity to Edw. Saltmarsh of Newby Wiske, Esq., for building a stone bridge for cart etc. over the river of Wiske at Newby, viz.—£50. at Michaelmas Sessions next, £25. at the Epiphany Sessions next following, and £25. more at the Easter Sessions next following, in consideration of which said sums the said Edw. Saltmarsh doth promise this Court that he, together with the inhab^{ts}. of the parish of Kirby Wiske, will disburse and pay at their own proper charge what monies the said bridge shall further lye in, and also for the future at their own proper charge shall repair and uphold the same without ever expecting or requesting any gratuity or contribution from this Court ; [83.] the Thrs. to pay £6. 10. to Mr. Rob. Jackson for his pains and charges in managing the buisiness at Durham Assizes about Yarome Bridge ; the Thrs. to pay the Surv'. for bridges for this Riding £5. for his half year's sallery, and he to be discharged from his office for the future ; £10. to be estreated for the repair of that part of Borrowbridge Bridge which belongs to this Riding ; Mr. Rob. Jackson to prefer an information or indictment in the Crown Office, or elsewhere, as councill shall advise, against the inhab^{ts}. of the bishoprick of Durham for not repairing Yarome Bridge, and upon his giving his acc^{ts}. to this Court of his disbursement, the Thrs. shall repay him.

[84.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 13, 168 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Before Sir Will. Caley, Tho. Worsley, Chas. Tankred, and John Hill, jun^r., Esquires.

High Sheriff, Chr. Tankard, Esq. : Will. Rudd, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—Six farmers for selling butter under weight ; the Constable of Kirkby Misperton for neglecting his office ; a Wombleton widow for scandalous words ; three Wombleton lab^{rs}. for killing a rabbit ; four persons for refusal to pay ass^{ts}. ; four cases of assault ; two cases of extortion ; a case of stealing. One bill ignored.

[86.] ORDERS made etc.

Gratuities to five L. S^s. and a soldier's widow ; moneys paid* to the Sheriff for the use of the King upon a conviction taken before Sir Will. Caley :—Will. Haslam of Whitby, £1. 13. 4, Lawr. Haslam of Whitby, £1. 13. 4 ; moneys paid to the Sheriff for the use of the King upon a conviction of Quakers taken before Tho. Worsley, Esq. : Math. Brabiner, John Sawdon, Tho. Yoward, Marke Stones, John Thompson, Rob. Thompson, Geo. Clifford, Tho. Lamb—1s. 8d. each, John Burne for himself and his wife 3s. 4d., Steph. Hunter, John Thompson, Geo. Clifford, John Burne, 11s. 1d. each, Marke Stones, £1. 16. 8 ; the Bailiff of Bulmer fined 10s. for departing the Court without licence ; Henry Lyle of Whitby to be C. C. for Whitby Strand *vice* John Sedman.

[87.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 19, 1684.

Before Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Will. Bowes, Jas. Clayton, sen^r., and Geo. Smithson, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The inhab^{ts}. of Pickhall for not repairing the common pump ; an Ellerton-on-Swale yeomⁿ. for not repairing his fences ; the Overseer of Sigston for contempt of warrants ; the inhab^{ts}. of Lowe Silton and the inhab^{ts}. of Lanmoth-cum-Catton for not repairing a bridge ; seven firkiners for making butter-firkins weighing more than 8 lbs. which could not contain 56 lbs. of butter ; three yeomⁿ. for shooting doves ; a Reeth lab^r. for not repairing his fences ; a case of extortion ; two cases of trespass with damage ; two water-courses stopped ; and five cases of non-repair of highways.

[90.] ORDERS made etc.

I do upon my own view present the highway in the Constabulary of Hudswell leading between the market towns of Askrig and Richmond to be very ruinous, and that the inhab^{ts}. of Hudswell ought to

* This entry is worth noting, as possibly explanatory in some cases of doubt.

repair the same ; a man who is distracted and doth wander from place to place to be conveyed to the place of his birth ; £8 to be es-treated and paid to a free mayson which he hath disbursed and deserves for his labour about the repair of that part of Rumbaldchurch Bridge which belongs to this Riding ; [90^b.] two Grinton men of evil life, conversation, and behaviour who have refused to find sureties for their good behaviours, committed to the goale until they find sureties as aforesaid ; [Signed] W^m. Chaytor, Will. Bowes, Geo. Smithson, James Clayton.

[91.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 28, 1685.

Before Sir Will. Caley, Sir Metcalfe Robinson, Sir Will. Hustler, Sir Henry Marwood, Sir Rich. Grahme, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Edmund Jenings, Sir Barrington Bourchier, Tho. Worsley, Chas. Tancred, Jas. Clayton, sen^r., Geo. Smithson, Constable Bradshawe, and John Hill, jun^r., Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Pickering dyer for throwing a coloured liquid into Pickering Beck ; a Whitby inne-holder for scandalous words against a J.P., viz.—“Sir Hugh Cholmley is a thick, idle, sapheaded, sleepy drone” ; a Whitby gent^r. for threats ; a Northallerton lab^r. for keeping a bushell measure not equal to the standard called the Winchester measure ; a Sowber yeom^r. for not repairing his share of the common pinfold ; the Constables of Thornaldby, Burton and Thornton Rust for neglecting their office ; three cases of riotous assembly and assault ; a case of forcible entry and illegal seizure ; two cases of assault ; two cases of non-repair of highways.

[95.] ORDERS made etc.

Upon reading the petition of John Crawforth of Brumpton that, for several years by past, he hath been summoned to appear at those Sessions to serve on the Grand Juries by the Bailiff of Allertonshire, he having no freehold estate that makes him liable to serve, with the truth of which this Court being satisfied, doth Order that upon notice hereof the Bailiff of Allertonshire do hereafter forbear to give him summons to appear upon the said service until this Court do Order the contrary ; Will. Coverdale of Haysker to be C. C. for Whitby Strand *vice* John Sedman ; the Overseer for Richmondshire to pay out of the bridge money remaining in his hands his proportion of the sum of £50 to John Hutton, Esq., which was formerly granted as a gratuity

for building a new stone bridge ; the Thrs. to pay the Surv^rs. of Kattricke Bridge £3 additional which they are out of purse for the repair thereof ; [95^b.] whereas a Cleasby man hath been at the charge of £1. 16. 11. in conveying a prisoner to gaole and that the said prisoner hath sufficient goods of his own to reimburse him : Ordered that the said man shall distrain, levy and sell as many of the goods of the said prisoner as shall be sufficient for reimbursing him, and for want of such goods an ass^t. to be made in the Constabulary of Cleasby ; £28. 16. 0½. to be estreated throughout the North Riding, being the said Riding's proportion of £86. 8. 1½., which by an Order of the last Assizes is already disbursed for making the *nisi prius* side at the Castle of Yorke capacious for the more easy dispatch of the country's business, the same to be paid to a Yorke gentⁿ. to be by him paid to the Supervisor of the said work ; £8 to be estreated and paid to a free mason for his labour and for what he hath disbursed about that part of Rumboldchurch Bridge which belongs to this Riding ; [96.] Mr. Bell to pay 40s. to the Surv^r. for Borrowbridge Bridge which he hath expended over and above the sum formerly granted ; £18 to be estreated for Thornton Bridge ; gratuities to a L. S. and to a soldier's widow ; all the moneys collected within this Riding for the repairing the great loss sustained by several of the inhab^{ts}. of Pickhall and Rokesby and now remaining in the hands of the several C. C^s. to be by them paid to the Thrs. to be hereafter disposed of as this Court shall Order ; 40s. allowed for a loss by fire ; [96^b.] Tho. Skelton of Wrelton to be C. C. for [] vice Geo. Stones ; whereas it appears to this Court that the inhab^{ts}. of Low Worsall, for this three years by past, have been at great charge in maintaining four children of one Tho. Simpson who there died, and that the said Tho. Simpson left an estate in the Constabulary of Hornby of the value of 40s. *per annum* which remains in the possession of Rob. Grisewood and Will. Dayle who have all along [refused] to pay anything out of the primesses towards the relief of the said children : Ordered that they do forthwith pay unto the Parish Off^{rs}. of Hornby the yearly value of the housing and land which they possess for the time which they have had it since the death of the said Tho. Simpson, and upon their refusal so to do the said Parish Off^{rs}. are hereby commanded to levy and distrain for the same upon the premisses or elsewhere in the said Constabulary of Hornby upon the goods of the said Rob. Grisewood and Will. Dayle, and to pay the same unto the Parish Off^{rs}. of Low Worsall for the relief of the said children, and for the future the Parish Off^{rs}. of Hornby to let the said house and land to the best advantage and to pay the rent yearly recurring thereof as aforesaid.

[97.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 14, the first year of our Lord King James II., 1685.

Before Sir Will. Hustler, Sir Tho. Pennyman, John Turner, Sergeant at Law, Tho. Worsley, Chas. Tankerd, Constable Bradshawe, and John Hill, jun^r., Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The Clerk of Terrington for refusal to pay an ass^t.; the Clerk of Salton for stopping a footpath; a Holme yeomⁿ. for seditious words: viz.—“I will fight for the Duke of Monmouth so long as any blood remains in me”; five firkiners for making firkins weighing more than 8 lbs. which could not contain 56 lbs. of butter; four farmers for selling butter under weight; four farmers for not stamping their initials on their butter-firkins; two farmers for selling butter mixed with old butter; two cases of stealing. Three bills ignored. One prisoner tried and convicted.

[102.] ORDERS made etc.

Mr. Rob. Bell to pay £40 additional for the finishing of How Bridge, and the said sum to be estreated at the next General Sessions at Thirske for repaying Mr. Bell; a gratuity to a L. S. for his good service done in the warres of King Charles I. of ever blessed memory.*

From original Sessions Rolls, all dated in 1685 :—

On examination, a bundle of Rolls, bearing the date 1685, but with no further endorsement, which was handed to me from among the Northallerton Archives, under the impression that it contained documents connected with the enrolment of Popish Recusants, proved to contain the Quarter Sessions Rolls for that year, which had not been

* It will be remarked that there is a considerable gap or interval in point of time between the date of this Sessions and that of the next. This is July 14, 1685, and the following one Jan. 10, 1687, leaving the Quarter Sessions proceedings of nearly two years and a half unnoted. From the folio of the Volume of Minutes and Orders last quoted the rest of the book is blank, to the extent, perhaps, of two-fifths of the whole volume. The inference probably is that the actual Rolls connected with the several Sessions left unrecorded were never copied into the book. The supposition that there were no intermediate Sessions is surely untenable.

[Since this was written, the Sessions Rolls in question, at least as regards the year 1685, have been discovered, and the contents of the next few pages have been derived from them. The circumstances of the discovery are noted in the outset.]

—as already noticed—copied into the current Volume of Minutes and Orders. Among the contents are a long series of presentments, each on its own parchment slip, and involving numerous cases of highways in a bad and unrepaired condition and watercourses unscoured, almost equally numerous cases of infringement of the regulations affecting the sale of butter, others of stealing, assault, forcible entry, and so forth, after the usual run of the corresponding entries in the records of other Sessions. There were also a very considerable number of bonds or recognizances ; a certain number of depositions or examinations taken on oath before a Justice ; not a few petitions from Lame Soldiers, or sufferers from loss by fire ; three or four Jury-lists ; divers writs of *Habeas Corpus ad respondendum*, and other formal and legal documents. The explanation of the greatness of the number of formal presentments, recognizances, and the like, is the fact that the proceedings of Quarter Sessions held at Pickering on January 12, and by adjournment at Richmond a week later, are all included in the bundle. The formal authorizations and warrants, etc., are, all of them, dated at Thirsk at the General Sessions held there in the previous October. No connected records of this Sessions are, so far, forthcoming, although there are detached writings, many of them, appertaining to it, mixed up among those more especially noted.

While the great, indeed the preponderating, bulk of these documents are entirely deficient in general interest, yet there are some three or four of them such that they should not be passed by quite undealt with or unnoticed. Such are the two lists of Recusants, the one of them long, contained in two of the writs of *Habeas Corpus*, and which are printed below ; while one among the Lame Soldiers' petitions, and one among the depositions, are so far of interest that they may fairly be produced as favourable samples of the kind of thing they represent.

“ The humble petition of Rowland Harrison of Whitby,—Sheweth— That your petitioner was a soldier under the command of Sir Lewis Divis in one of the Troopes of Prince Rupert's Rigiment, when our Sovereign Lord, King Charles the First, pitcht his standard first at Nottingham, and was in the engagement at Worcester, and afterwards at Edge Hill ; and was at the taking of Banbury, and at Branford fight, where they took five hundred prisoners and five peices of Ordinance ; and was at the taking of Malbury : and when they went to take Sisester your petitioner was taken prisoner on Candlemas eve, and lay in the Goal at Glosester untill the second day of May following, when he gott out of prison, came into their owne Troop at Abbington, and afterwards engaged with Sir Arthur Hasslerigg, whome they rooted, and then march'd into the West and was at the taking of Larpool, and then came to York fight at Hessaw Moor, and there was beaten by the

Parliament's forces : after march'd into Wales, where they had their quarters beat up at Welchpool ; after was in the engagement in Nasebrough Feild, where your petitioner was one of the nine that escaped out of three and thirty that went out of Prince Rupert's Regiment : Afterwards your petitioner was kept eight weeks in prison at Esome, where hee, with seaven and twenty more, broke the prison and got away : and was in severall other engagements where they beat up their enemies' quarters : and yet hath hitherto lived by his labour, without being burthensome to his Majesty or the country. But being now about seaventy years of age and growne infirm, and having a wife and family to maintaine, humbly prays some small pention for the releife of his necessities." The attestation of Sir H. Cholmeley is affixed, stating his familiarity with the statements made, and his belief of their truth, the petitioner having been personally known to him for more than thirty years. Several other names of well-known Whitby men are also added, but there is no endorsement to show that the gallant veteran obtained his request.

Another curious deposition, taken before Sir William Cayley, at Brompton, July 7, 1685, is as follows :—"The information of William Coulson of Harwooddale : He saith that, about Fryday last was a fortnight, he was att one Ralph Todd's house in Filingdale, and there haveing some talk of beating for volunteers, the said Ralph Todd did say 'that the Duke did barber the late King, and that the Duke's wife did then drink to him, a good health to the Barber' : and the said Ralph Todd did further say 'it was thought that the King did not live long after it' : upon which his wife told him that he should not have said soe : who thereupon did answer that it was a thing well known or openly spoken of."

This information again may seem to be of interest enough to warrant its being printed :—"The information of Tho. Harrison and Richard Scarth taken before me, Sir Henry Marwood, 15 Feb., 1684. These examinants, being duely sworne and examined, saith that upon Fryday last, being the 13th of February, they veryly believe their master, Theo. Bathurst, Esq., of Scutterskelfe, had feloniously taken from him one Warwickshire ewe sheep, for which felony haveing some evill disposed persons about them in suspition, they procured a warrant of search from the above-said Sir Henry Marwood, and searched severall places, and att the last the house of one Elizabeth Bowre of Whorleton, a person formerly suspected and convicted for the like offence ; and there found severall joyns of mutton, more than ussuall or fitt for such a person to come honestly by ; and allsoe a proportion of wooll in a wallet, which they in their judgments take to be of the sort and grouth of the County of Warwickshire, and not of this country. They further

say that dureing the time that they and the Constable was searching, the said Elizth. Bowre slipt from them out of doores, and threw out beyond a bush a wallet with the aforesaid wooll, and likewise the head of a sheep, toothed and aged like the rest of the sheep from whence they were stolen, and that the said Elizth. Bowre did confess that she did throw out of her house the aforesaid wooll and head, for feare she should be brought before the aforesaid Sir Henry Marwood, and further sayeth not."

The next again is illustrative of the way in which the county business was, in some particulars, carried on, and so finds a place here. It is a letter, dated Thornton Briggs, Aprill the 23rd, from Sir Roger Strickland, and addressed to the Justices of Quarter Sessions :—

" Gentlemen,—In pursuance of the Order maid the last Generall Quarter Setions, hold att Thirsk for the better keeping the Country Bridges in repaire, my adiasent bridg att Thornton Briggs falling into decay, I took to my assistance 2 honest and near neighbors, Mr. Bell and Mr. Robinson, and upon strickt sirvey found itt so defective thatt wee thought itt nessesarey, att least good husbandrey in preventing a much greater charge, to agree with John Gill, mason, for its being suffetiently repairet this summer, according to the Artickells I have entered into with him, which if you pleas to peruse, I cannot doubt your aprobation and readey complyance with the payment of the mony according to the agreement maid by

" Your most faithfull and Humble Seruant,

" ROG. STRICKLAND."

There are also three certificates of a nature not hitherto met with, and such as to add one feature more to the picture of the times as it is, in a sort, sketched out in the course of these Records. The one given here is selected for the purpose as giving its own explanation :—

" Aprill the 24th, 1685. These are to certifie the Hon^{ble}. his Majesties Justices of the Peace for the North Riding of this County of Yorke, that Francis Fletcher of Seamer in Pickering Lith hath now but one chimney (the other being readie to fall to the Ground) he hath utterly taken away as being all together uselesse to him ; therefore he humbly desires that he may be exempted from paying the duty of Hearth-money for any more than one."

This is attested by Jo^h. Lisle, Vic. de Seamer, Tho. Holliday, Constable, both the Churchwardens, and countersigned by Sir Richard Graham and Sir Thomas Pennyman, two of his Majesty's Justices &c. One of the other two deals with the demolition of "one chimney and fire-hearth" in a house in the Peake, in the Constabulary of Cloughton,

and the other with that of “a chimney or fire-hearth” in a house att Troutsdale. Sir Rich. Graham and Sir Tho. Pennyman countersign in the latter case, and Sir Richard again and Constable Bradshaw in the other. The alternative mode of expression adopted in one of these certificates—“chimney or fire-hearth”—may be noted, but in reality there is no distinction. In a rent-roll of nearly a century earlier than the date of this Sessions, which was under my notice last year, the entry, of frequent occurrence, of two pence payable to the Lord of the Manor on account of “every chimney which smoked” serves well for the purpose of illustrating the identity of what is implied, whether ‘chimney’ or ‘fire-hearth’ be employed to express it.

I will give but one other copy derived from the source described ; and this is given as throwing some light on the “practice” of the times in such cases :—“The information of Geo. Brockhall of West Tanfield, groser, taken upon oath before me, this 30th day of January (84), who saith that Elizabeth Dowson of Tanfield afforesaid, being delivered of a bastard childe, did boath take oath before her deliverance, and upon her deliverance, that Marm. Bradwith of Tanfield afforesaid was the father of the childe : notwithstanding, of late one Elizth. Walker, wife of John Walker, without any just cause or provocation given her by the said informant, did in revenge and malice, upon no other occasion than an ordinary falling out betwixt her and the said Informant, most slanderingously and unjustly say him the said Informant to be the father of the said child, and also hath spoken other words leading to the damage and prejudice of his trade, threatening also that, if either swearing or saying would doe it, she would torment the said Informant to eternity, or any other neighbour ; and further saith that she is a person of ill reputation and behaviour ; and further sayth not. Capt. coram me, Rich. Graham.”

Here follow the lists of Recusants’ names :—

James II. to the Sheriff of York, greeting. Omit not for any Liberty in the North Riding, but enter into it and take Robert Harrison of Newbegin, Henry Chambers of Middleham, Anne Hodgson of Burerset, Will. Perkin of Lunds, Geo. Sayre of Hawes, Will. Harker of Gaile, Jas. Moore of Hardrawe, John Parnaby of Fingall, Chr. Busby of Hardrawe, Rich. Dixon of Thoraldby, Alice Hodgson of Burerset, Miles Dixon of Thoraldby, Elizth. Harker of Askrig, Geo. Carter of Hutton Hang, Geo. Reynaldson of Askrig, Jas. Hudson of West Witton, Marm. Webster of Askrig, Tho. Wilkinson of Burton-in-Bishopdale, Marm. Harrison of Burton Constable, Symon Jefferson of Spennythorne, Tho. Lupton of Hunton, Edm. Metcalfe of Askrig, Jane Bland, Steph. Wood, Yeoman Metcalfe, Will. Blithe of Askrig, Tho. Metcalfe of Hawes, Jas. Taylor of Thoraldby, Jas. Harker of Birkdale, Parcivel

Plewret of Thuresby, Tho. Atkinson of Sedbuske, Tho. Clerkson of Swaledale, Ralph Hall of the parish of Fingall, Will. Robinson of Spennythorne, John Geldert of Preston, Will. Shawe, Will. Ducket of Hunton, Tho. Wilkinson of Burton Constable, Will. Lockey of Hunton, Rob. Tatham of West Witton, Chr. Gregs of Hunton, John Hutchinson of Reeth, Henry Smithson of Ragill, Will. Aukland, Henry Aukland of Brignall, Parcivel Cooke of Skeeby, Will. Alderson of Spitle, Edw. Alderson, John Alderson of Birkdale, Math. Cassan of Newsham, Anth. Alderson, Rich. Alderson of Thornes, Jas. Clerkson, Jos. Clerkson of Setteron, Miles Freer of Hollins, John Milner, Elizth. Clerkson, Jas. Clerkson of Rash, Edm. Milner of Mewker, Cholmley Douglas of Reeth, Fr. Lee of Startforth, John Alderson of Keld, Jas. Peacocke, Tho. Peacocke, Mary Peacocke, Elizth. Peacocke of Reeth, Anth. Simpson of Great Smeaton, Tho. Plummer of Brompton-on-Swale, Calvert Smithson of Kipling, Rich. Marshall of Hutton Bonvill, Katherine wife of Will. Raper of Cathorpe, Math. Greenwell of Disforth, Geo. Buckle of Leeming, John Peacocke of Thornebrough, Will. Hunton of Kirklington, John Thornton of Pickhall, Will. Smithson of Norton-in-Luto, Tho. Atkinson, Elizth. his wife, Tomasin Atkinson of Disforth, Will. Greenwell of Ripon, John Tatham of Swiniwhit, John Robinson of Ellington, Jas. Robinson of Hackforth, Rob. Hutchinson, Gilbert Walker of Beedall, Anth. Freer of Broadhowe House, Mich. Wharton of Little Fencoate, Geo. Woodhouse of Beedall, Edw. Killer of Cathericke, Geo. Firby of Cowburne, Rob. Lodge of Masham, Chr. Jackson of Thornton-le-Street, Rob. King, Rob. Lodge of Northaller-ton, John Thompson of Seazey, John Sneaton of Whitby, Ralph Stonehouse, Fr. Stevenson of the Marishes, Fr. Dale of Osgodby, Jas. Warde of Scalby, Rob. Gilbanke of Troutsdale, Rich. Stubs of Snainton, Henry Boyes of Pickering, Will. Clerke of Rosedale, Bryan Elmire, Tho. Elmire of Habton Moore, Rob. Clerke of Maske, Laur. Meynill of Thornaby, Steph. Harrison of Seamer, Will. Wright of Stoxley, Leaver Wood of Stainton, Roger Harland of the parish of Whorleton, Tho. Mease of Mickleby, Tho. Thompson of Norton, Will. Walker of Gisbrough, Tho. Agar of Commandale, Chr. Kitching of Hutton Rudy, John Kirby of Stoxley, Rich. Wilton of Scaling, John Hutchinson of Hutton Mulgrave, Will. Wilson of Kildale, Elizth. Geer, Susan Geer of Great Broughton, Fr. Wilkinson of Yarome, John Wiley of Lythe, Tho. Fisher of Grimston, Rich. Smith of Skainston, John Barker of Farndale, John Cooper of Ampleforth, Rob. Clerke, jun^r., of Old Malton, Will. Foster of Lestingham, John Casse, Rich. Reveley, John Milner of Rivalx, Tho. Milburne of Thorpe Basset, John Lowell of Skainston, Will. Stonehouse of Farndale, Tho. Nightgale of New Malton, Rob. Aston of Kirbymoorside, Mich. Sellet of Minithorpe,

Tho. Swan of Stonegrave, Will. Hall of Cawton, Will. Jarrum of Old Malton, Henry Jolson of Rookebarugh, Will. Conset of Hovingham, Chr. Kendrey, John Fotherley of Hemsley, Elizth. Shawe, Tho. Gibson of Salton, John Sharow, Rob. Thompson, John Spenceley of Wombleton, John Helme of Bilsedale, Roger Wilson of the parish of Silton, Jas. Martin of Husthwaite, Will. Yates of Wasse, John Peacocke of Sheriff Hutton, Will. Watson of Crake, John Bolton of Terrington, Will. Leckenby of Aldwarke, Nich. Anderson of Kingston-upon-Hull, Will. Cooke of the city of York, Mountegue Giles, Will. Goodall of Clifton, Chr. Wharton, Mary Cosfeild, Geo. Spicoes, Marg^t. Sherwood of Osbaldwicke, Rich. Straker, John Beverley, Roger Key, John Sanderson, Tho. Waite of Murton, John Newstead, sen^r., of Marton, Hungate Stevenson, Will. Stevenson of Sand Hutton, Will. Taylor of Tollerton, Fr. Thurnham, Tho. Johnson of Crake, Will. Read [?] of Earswicke, Rich. Lassells of Terrington: and also Will. Watson of Raskelfe, Elias Micklethwaite of Terrington, Clerk, Rob. Hicke of Nunnington, Jane Mud of North Stainley, Rich. Faucet, Rich. Walker of the parish of North Cowton, Edw. Saltmarsh of Newby Wiske, Esq., John Hudson of West Witton, Parcivel Plewret of the parish of Aisgarth, Rich. Walker of Ingleton, and Jas. Taylor, sen^r., of Thoraldby, so that you have their bodies before our Justices at the next General Sessions at Pickering, January 12 next, and, by adjournment, at Richmond, January 19, to answer for the contempt and the offences for which they are indicted and presented: and have you then and there this warrant. Witness, Thomas, Viscount Fauconberge, Keeper of our Rolls in the North Riding, at Thirske, October 6, 1685.

From a mutilated fragment of what is doubtless a detailed list of all persons in office in the North Riding in the year 1685:—

Nomina Balliv. Wapent. et Libertatum.

.... Taylor, Gen ^s ., pro Bulmer.	Will. Wade, Gen ^s ., pro Gilling West.
Will. Dale, Gen ^s ., pro Birdforth.	Christ. Tod, Gen ^s ., pro Hang West.
Henry Thorpe, Gen ^s ., pro Rydale.	Geo. Darlin, Gen ^s ., pro Gilling East.
Henr. Marwood, Bart., per Rad.	Rad. Grainge, Gen ^s ., pro Hang East.
Burton, pro Langbarugh.	Joh. Raper, Gen ^s ., pro Hallikeld.
.... Pleasaunce, Gen ^s ., pro Pickering Lyth.	Reverend. in Christo, Pater Nathan., Episcopus Dunelm., per
Hugo Cholmley, Bart., per	Henr. Sayre, Dep., pro Allerton.
Prudam pro Whitby Strand.	Will. Dale, Petrus Hood, Gen ⁱ , Magistri Domus Corr.
.... Butler, Gen ^s ., Custos Gaole apud Castr. Ebor.	
Prænob. Conyers D'nis Darcy et Conyers, per Joh. Raper, Dep., pro Richmond.	

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Qu. Sessions at, January 10, 1687.

Before Charles, Viscount Fairfax, Sir Will. Cayley, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, John Crosland, Roger Meynill, Tho. Worsley, Chas. Tankred, Tho. Pulleine, and John Hill, jun^r., Esquires.

High Sheriff, Tho. Rookeby, Esq. : John Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—An Aldwarke yeomⁿ. for hindering an Excise Officer in the execution of his office ; John Grey, common informer, for extortion under colour of his office ; five cases of stealing ; two cases of assault ; seventeen cases of non-repair of highways. [5^b.] One bill ignored. [6.] Four prisoners tried : three convicted and one acquitted.

[6^b.] ORDERS made etc.

A man who was last legally settled at Langthorpe and hath endeavoured with his wife privately and skulkingly to obtain a settlement at Topcliff to be removed to Langthorpe there to be provided for ; Order in a bastardy case ; Mr. Tho. Clough of Lowe House to be C. C. for Birdforth *vice* Mr. John Bell ; [7.] whereas a Kirby Fletham man indicted for not scouring a watercourse at Danby Wiske did, at the last Sessions, enter his traverse and become bound to prosecute the same at these Sessions, but for several good and sufficient reasons, shewed to and allowed by this Court, cannot now produce the witnesses on his behalf : Ordered that the prosecution of the said traverse be respite until the next General Sessions at Thirske, at which time as well he and his witnesses, as the person prosecuting on the King's behalf and his witnesses, are to be ready, and further, the person prosecuting for the King to have notice hereof ; Mr. Rob. Bell to pay £15 for the repair of a causeway at the end of Pickering Bridge, which said sum is to be estreated at the next General Sessions for reimbursing him ; a warrant against the Constable of Aldwarke for disobeying an Order ; gratuities to eleven L. S^s. ; [7^b.] 20s. to be paid by Mr. Rob. Bell as a gratuity to the Constable of Scalby for his extraordinary care and the charges he hath been lately at in apprehending rogues and vagabonds and carrying them to the Ho. of Corrⁿ. ; Order in a bastardy case. [Signed] Tho. Pennyman, John Crosland, Chas. Tankred, J. Hill.

[9.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 17, 1687.

Before Sir John Lawson, Sir Will. Bowes, Geo. Witham, Fr. Tunstall, Edw. Saltmarsh, Geo. Meynill, Geo. Smithson, and Henry Metcalfe, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A case of forcible entry and illegal seizure; a case of stealing; a case of trespass with damage; three cases of assault; fifteen cases of non-repair of highways. [13.] Three bills ignored. [15.] One prisoner tried and acquitted.

[15^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Mr. Tho. Lightfoote to pay £5 for the repair of the roof of the Ho. of Corrⁿ; gratuities to a L. S. and a soldier's widow; £45 to be paid by the Thr^{rs}. as a gratuity for the rebuilding of a bridge in the Constabulary of Hutton Conyers called the King's Bridge, and for making a water wall for supporting the highway at the end of the said bridge, and for making the highway about the said bridge fit for cart and carriage to pass and repass; a lunaticke to be settled at Manfeild and the Parish Off^{rs}. to provide him meat, drink, cloathes and lodging, and not to permit him to wander; [16.] Mr. Rob. Cowling of Dalton to be C. C. for Gilling West and Thr^r. for Richmondshire *vice* Mr. Tho. Lightfoote; whereas complaint hath been made unto this Court that several persons of small estates are summoned by the Bailiffs to serve upon the Grand Jurys, which they conceal and make advantage of, never returning them to this Court: Ordered that for the future in Richmondshire all persons that are summoned to make service at these Sessions shall have their names inserted in the respective Sessions warrants by the High Sheriff or his Deputys for the time being, to prevent such abuses as formerly have been committed and done by the Bailiffs; [16^b.] whereas complaint is made unto this Court by the inhab^{ts}. of Arkengarthdale that New Forrest, being a considerable part of the Constabulary of Arkengarthdale, being within the parish of Kirby Ravensworth, do pay their ass^{ts}. for L. S^s. with the said parish of Kirby Ravensworth, notwithstanding that, according to the Book of Rates, the Constabulary of Kirby Hill is double the value of the Constabulary of Arkengarthdale, and that the parish of Arkengarthdale is equally charged with the parish of Kirby Hill for L. S. money: Ordered that the whole business be referred to Sir John Lawson, Geo. Witham and Geo. Smithson, Esquires, or to any two of them; the business concerning the regulating the ass^{ts}. within the Constabulary of Little Crakall

(two men there complaining that they are over assessed) to be referred to Sir John Lawson and Geo. Smithson, Esq.; whereas divers persons, laying aside their lawful trades and imployments, do betake themselves to the stealing, taking and killing of coneyes, hares, pheasants, partridges, and other game, intended to be preserved by the laws of this realm: for prevention whereof for the future it is Ordered that the respective C. C^s. within this Riding do issue out their precepts to all and every the Petty Constables within their divisions requiring them to deliver in writing upon oath at the next Sessions [17.] the names of every person (not being sonne and heir apparent of an esquire or other person of higher degré, nor owner and keeper of any forrest, parke, chase or warren being stocked with deer or conies) within their respective Constableries, that keep or have for themselves or any other person or persons any greyhounds, lurchers, hounds, setting dogs, nets, or any other dogs or engines for the taking or destroying of any such game as aforesaid, together with the yearly value of such estate or inheritance or for the term of life as any such person hath in his own or wife's right, and of such estate as any such person hath by lease or leases for ninety-nine years or for any longer term, to th'end such persons as are not by law qualified to keep greyhounds, etc., may be proceeded against, and such C. C^s. or Petty Constables as shall be disobedient in the premisses to be bound etc., and further the said C. C^s. to deliver at the next Sessions in writing upon oath an account of their proceedings herein, together with the names of the several Petty Constables within their respective divisions; [Signed] Will. Bowes, Ed. Saltmarsh, John Lawson, Geo. Smithson, H. Metcalfe, F. Tunstall.

[18.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 24, 1688.

Before Charles, Viscount Fairfax, Sir Rich. Graham, Sir John Lawson, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Will. Dawson, Geo. Witham, Fr. Tunstall, Roger Meynill, Edw. Saltmarsh, Will. Pierson, Tho. Cholmley, Geo. Meynill, John Gibson, John Hill, Tho. Pulleine, Phil. Saltmarsh, Hugh Smithson and Henry Metcalfe, Esquires.*

* The names of more than one of these Justices may be found in previous lists given in these pages, the said lists, however, being lists of persons with such claim to distinction only as depended on the fact that they were numbered among the Recusants, or perhaps entered as having refused to take the oath of Supremacy. Such is the case, to single out but one instance, with Edward Saltmarsh, who at Richmond Sessions, held Feb. 18, 167⁸, refused to take the said oath. As testifying to the alteration of *régime* in such matters under James II., not a few of these entries are very significant.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Walburne yeomⁿ. for not repairing his fences ; a case of rescue ; two cases of assault ; five cases of non-repair of highways ; two cases of illegal seizure ; five cases of stealing. [22.] Six cases tried : four acquittals and two convictions.

[22^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Edw. Jefferson of Cathericke to be C. C. for Hang East *vice* Mr. Sam. Atkinson ; [23.] gratuities to seventeen soldiers and two widows ; £5 allowed for a loss by fire ; [23^b.] Henry Lisle of Whitby, gentⁿ., to be C. C. for Whitby Strand *vice* Will. Coverdale ; Ordered that Mr. Will. Warde, Surv^r. for bridges, with the approbation and consent of Sir Roger Beckwith and Henry Metcalfe, Esq., shall either himself build West Burton Bridge or let it as cheap as he can to others, and £50 to be estreated for building the said bridge ; the Surv^r. for bridges to survey the ruins of Dalton Bridge and make his report what will be sufficient for repairing the same ; [24.] by Order of this Court Mr. Tho. Lightfoote is chosen and ellected for this year next ensuing Thr^r. for Richmondshire, and C. C. for Gilling West ; £40 to be estreated for Dalton Bridge ; 50s. to be imposed upon the inhab^{ts}. of the parish of Burniston, and 50s. more upon the inhab^{ts}. of the parish of Beedall if they do not repair a stone bridge standing in the road betwixt Burniston and Beedall before the next Sessions ; a lunaticke to be maintained at the charge of his brother ; [24^b.] Mr. Rob. Bell to pay £20 as a gratuity for making a stone bridge over Holebeck nigh Gilling ; Mr. Rob. Bell to pay £79. 5. 8. which hath been expended in defending an action brought against the inhab^{ts}. of this Riding about West Burton Bridge ; and the said sum to be estreated for repaying Mr. Bell ; the difference in dispute in this Court about the scouring of a watercourse in the parish of Yafforth referred to two Justices ; Mr. Bell to pay to Mr. Cholmley £10 for the use of the inhab^{ts}. of Strensall for repairing their bridge and causeway upon Mr. Cholmley's certificate that they have first disbursed £10 about the same ; [25.] £20 to be estreated for Leaven Bridge, and the moneys remaining in the hands of Sir Tho. Pennyman formerly collected for the said bridge, and what moneys are remaining in the hands of Constable Bradshawe, Esq., formerly received for Yarome Bridge, to be employed about Leaven Bridge ; a warrant against Clement Peart of Great Broughton and his recog^{ce}. to be estreated, and he for the future made incapable of being an informer at these Sessions ; [Signed] John Lawson, W. Dawson, F. Tunstall, T. Cholmley, J. Gibson, Will. Peirson.

[26.] NEW MALTON.

Qu. Sessions at, July 10, 1688.

Before Tho. Cholmley, John Gibson, and Tho. Pulleine, Esquires.
High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—Clement Peart for extortion under colour of his office on two occasions; a New Malton yeomⁿ. for not repairing his share of the highway; a case of illegal seizure; three cases of assault; one highway not repaired. [28^b.] One bill ignored.

[29.] ORDERS made etc.

Mr. Rob. Micklefeild of Habton to be C. C. for the West Division of Pickering Lyth *vice* Mr. Tho. Skelton; whereas Geo. Meggison of Whitby hath by way of protestando that he is not guilty to an indictment for not paying an ass^t. submitted himself to this Court, and he and his prosecutors being all willing to refer the business to Sir Hugh Cholmley: this Court doth therefore desire and intreat the said Sir Hugh Cholmley to take a hearing of the said business and to determine therein, and also of the charges the said Geo. Meggison hath been at in this Court; upon hearing the complaint of Geo. Meggison that he, when Constable of Whitby, disbursed upon the behalf of the inhab^{ts}. there £4. 15. 4. which hath not been repaid him: Ordered that he be examined by Sir Hugh Cholmley who is desired to consider with other inhab^{ts}. of Whitby to reimburse him what shall appear to be due unto him, and the said Sir Hugh Cholmley to certify etc.; whereas this Court by a former Order did Order Mr. Rob. Micklefeild of Habton to appear during the continuance of this Court to be sworn C. C. for Pickering Lyth, and he having appeared and shewed such reasons as this Court thinks fit to excuse him for, and further Order that John Franke of Pickering, yeomⁿ., shall take the said office upon him unless he can shew cause etc.; [29^b.] two gentⁿ. to survey Egton Bridge, and if upon their survey they shall find that the repair thereof will require £20, Mr. Rob. Bell upon their report thereof is hereby Ordered to pay them the said sum of £20; the recog^{ce}. of the inhab^{ts}. of Ruswarpe for prosecuting their traverse for repairing a highway to be respited until Michaelmas Sessions, and in the mean time the said inhab^{ts}. of Ruswarpe to pay 50s. for the witnesses' charges in attending these Sessions; Mr. Jas. Usher of New Malton to be C. C. for Rydale *vice* Mr. John Proud; a fine of £15 imposed upon the inhab^{ts}. of New Malton for their highway, and five months' time given unto them for the repair thereof; [30.] a fine of

£3. 6. 8. to be levyed of the inhab^{ts}. of Swinton for their highway if they repair not the same before the next Sessions ; [Signed] J. Gibson, T. Cholmley.

[31.] NORTH ALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 17, 1688.

Before Sir Rich. Graham, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Will. Bowes, Fr. Tunstall, Roger Meynill, Geo. Meynill, Phil. Saltmarsh, Hugh Smithson, and Henry Metcalfe, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Whorleton gentⁿ. for not repairing the banks of a milne race ; sixteen watercourses stopped ; a Screwton yeomⁿ. for keeping a greyhound and killing hares ; the inhab^{ts}. of East Nesse for not repairing a bridge ; the Constable of Masham for suffering prisoners to escape ; a Baldersby lab^r. for harbouring a thief. [33^b.] Three bills ignored. [34.] Two prisoners tried : one convicted and one acquitted.

[34^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The £4 remaining in the hands of Geo. Smithson, Esq., of the £10 formerly granted for the repair of Smeaton Bridge to be by him disbursed in building a stone bridge over a little brooke at Moulton in the highway leading from Yarome to Richmond ; gratuities to two L. S^s. ; [35.] Mr. Rob. Bell to pay £4 and Mr. Tho. Lightfoote 40s. as a gratuity to Mrs. Neile, widow to Dr. Neile deceased ; whereas a warrant was obtained from two Justices by the Parish Off^{rs}. of Downholme for distreyning upon such persons within the said Constabulary as refused to pay towards the relief of the poor there : Ordered that the said warrant be superseeded and that no distress be taken thereupon, and that the matter in dispute be referred to two of the next Justices ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay 20s. to a Coram man as a gratuity for suffering the water to be diverted through his milne race ; Mr. Lightfoote to pay 5s. as a gratuity for paying the funeral expenses of a deceased L. S^s. ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay three men 40s. pursuant to a former Order for reimbursing them what they are out of purse having been sued and presented about the business relating to Northallerton North Bridge ; [Signed] Rich. Graham, Roger Beckwith, Hugh Smithson, Roger Meynill, Henry Metcalfe, Phill. Saltmarsh, Geo. Meynill.

[36.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 2, 1688.

Before Charles, Viscount Fairfax, Sir Rich. Graham, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Will. Dawson, John Crosland, Geo. Witham, Fr. Tunstall, Roger Meynill, Will. Peirson, Tho. Cholmley, Geo. Meynill, John Gibson, Symon Scroope, jun^r., Phill. Saltmarsh, and Hugh Smithson, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Nine persons of Northallerton for refusal to pay ass^{ts}.; an Ormsby man and two Great Broughton men for the like; two Gailes yeomⁿ. for not repairing their fences; five cases of stealing; nine cases of non-repair of highways. [40^b.] One bill ignored. [43^b.] One prisoner tried and acquitted.

[44.] ORDERS made etc.

The inhab^{ts}. of Oldstead to pay a man 24s. 6d. for reimbursing him the sum by him laid out by the Order and at the request of the said inhab^{ts}. of Oldstead for getting them acquitted and discharged out of the North Riding Sessions for a highway out of repair for which they were indicted, and in case of refusal etc.; [44^b.] Mr. Rob. Bell to pay £100 to Sir Rich. Graham and Sir Roger Beckwith, which, with £40 out of the sum of £50 formerly paid to the said Sir Roger Beckwith for building a country bridge at West Burton, shall be paid to the inhab^{ts}. of West Burton in discharge and pursuance of a rule of King's Bench for payment of the same, and £102 to be estreated and paid to the said Mr. Bell for reimbursing him the said sum laid out as aforesaid and for the consideration and collecting of the same; Mr. Rob. Bell to pay £5. 3. 4. to the Surv^r. for King's Bridge and the wear adjoining unto the same at Hutton Conyers what he is out of purse more than he hath formerly received for building the same; [45.] £5 allowed for a loss by fire; 20 nobles allowed for a loss by fire; gratuities to ten L. S^s.; £20 to be estreated and paid to the Surv^r. for bridges for the repair of Dalton Bridge, out of which he is to pay £16. 17. 10. to two men for work done about the said bridge, and the remainder of the said money to disburse as far as it will go about the repairing the flank wall at the east end of the said bridge and for placing guides on the same; this Court taking into consideration the necessitous condition of many L. S^s. and marriners within this Riding for whom of later years a competent provision hath been made according to the 43 of Elizth., Cap. III., which hath not only supported them in a great measure but tended much to the encourage-

ment of others to continue in their allegiance, by observation how the necessities of those distressed or lamed in his Majesty's service or through dangers of the sea were aided: doth Order [46.] (in regard some doubts are here raised concerning the continuance of that Statute) that the moneys for L. S^s. and marriners shall be estreated as formerly throughout this Riding, if Mr. Attorney Generall be of oppinion that the said Statute of 43 Elizth., cap. III., for levying thereof is in force, and that the Thr^r. shall pay the Clerk of the Peace 40s. for Mr. Attorney Generall's fee: the Statute of 13 and 14 Chas. II., cap. IX., for the relief of poor and maimed officers and soldiers etc. is expired, but the Statute of the 43 Elizth., cap. III., is now in force by vertue of the Statutes 1 James, cap. XXV., 21 James, cap. XXVIII., 3 Chas. I., cap. IV., and 16 or 17 Chas. I., cap. IV., which Statutes have continued it down to this day: [Signed] T. Powys, 20 Nov^r., 1688; the Thr^rs. to pay £20 to the Surv^r. for bridges for his year's salary; the £19 remaining in the hands of Constable Bradshawe, Esq., which he received for the repair of Leaven Bridge, to be by him disposed of as followeth—viz. £5 for Leaven Bridge and the remainder towards the repair of Whitby and Hutton Rudby Bridges; [46^b.] a Morton man to pay out of his next half-year's rent for the grounds he farms of Isabell Squire 20s. to Marg^t. Squire, who attended and looked to her half a year during the time of her distraction; Ordered that the several C. C^s. within this Riding shall, after they have advised with the next adjoining J.P., repair their beacons* and

* A brief historical notice, somewhat retrospective in its nature, of the passage of events during the later portion, more especially, of the second James' reign may be by no means out of place here. "Of all the Stuart rulers," says Mr. Green (vol. iv., p. 6), "James is the only one whose intellect was below mediocrity. His mind was dull and narrow though orderly and methodical; his temper dogged and arbitrary, but sincere. His religious and political tendencies had always been the same. He had always cherished an entire belief in the Royal authority and a hatred of Parliament. His main desire was for the establishment of Catholicism as the only means of ensuring the obedience of his people; and his old love of France was quickened by the firm reliance which he placed on the aid of Lewis in bringing about that establishment. But the secrecy in which his political action had as yet been shrouded and his long absence from England had hindered any general knowledge of his designs. His first words on his accession, his promise to 'preserve this Government both in Church and State as it is now by law established,' were welcomed by the whole country with enthusiasm. All the suspicions of a Catholic sovereign seemed to have disappeared. . . . But from the first James understood his declaration in a different sense from the nation. He was resolved to make no disguise of his own religion; the chapel in which he had hitherto worshipped with closed doors was now thrown open and the King seen at mass. He regarded attacks on his faith as attacks on himself, and at once called on the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Bishop of London to hinder all preaching against Catholicism as a part of their 'duty' to their King. He made no secret of his resolve to procure freedom of worship for his co-religionists while still refusing it to the rest of the

cause watch to be kept at the same if occasion be, and at the next Sessions give an acc^t. of their disbursements, and it is further Ordered that £60 in the interim be estreated for reimbursing them ; [Signed] W. Dawson, J. Gibson, Will Peirson.

Nonconformists, whom he hated as Republicans and Exclusionists. . . . All the caution and reserve of Charles II. in his dealings with France was set aside. . . . The support, indeed, which James needed was a far closer and firmer support than his brother had sought for. Lewis, on the other hand, trusted him as he could never trust Charles. His own bigotry understood the bigotry of the new sovereign. ‘The confirmation of the King’s authority and the establishment of religion,’ he wrote, ‘are our common interest’ ; and he promised that James should ‘find in his friendship all the resources which he can expect.’ . . . Never had the secret league with France seemed so full of danger to English religion. Europe had long been trembling at the ambition of Lewis ; it was trembling now at his bigotry. He had proclaimed war against civil liberty in his attack upon Holland ; he declared war at this moment upon religious liberty by revoking the Edict of Nantes. . . . The Revocation was followed by outrages more cruel than even the bloodshed of Alva. Dragoons were quartered on Protestant families, women were flung from their sick-beds into the streets, children were torn from their mothers’ arms to be brought up in Catholicism, ministers were sent to the galleys. . . . But while Englishmen were looking with horror on these events in France, James was taking advantage of the position in which he believed they placed him. The news of the Revocation drew from him expressions of delight. The rapid increase of the conversions to Catholicism which followed on the ‘dragonnades’ raised in him hopes of as general an apostasy in his own dominions. His tone took a new haughtiness and decision. He admitted more Catholic officers into his fresh regiments. He dismissed Halifax from the Privy Council on his refusal to consent to a plan for repealing the Test Act. He met the Parliament on its reassembling in November with a haughty declaration that whether legal or no his grant of commissions to Catholics must not be questioned, and with a demand of supplies for his new troops. . . . The Commons deferred the grant of supplies till grievances were redressed, and demanded in their address the recall of the illegal commissions on the ground that the continuance of the Catholic officers in their posts ‘may be taken to be a dispensing with that law without Act of Parliament.’ The Lords took a bolder tone ; and the protests of the Bishops against any infringement of the Test Act expressed by Bishop Compton of London was backed by the eloquence of Halifax. . . . The King resolved to obtain from the Judges what he could not obtain from Parliament. He dismissed four Judges who refused to lend themselves to his plans ; and in the June of 1686 their successors decided in the case of Sir Edward Hales, a Catholic officer in the army, that a Royal dispensation could be pleaded in bar of the Test Act. The principle laid down by the Judges ‘that it is a privilege inseparably connected with the sovereignty of the King to dispense with penal laws, and that according to his own judgment,’ was applied by James with a reckless impatience of all decency and self-restraint. Catholics were admitted into civil and military offices without stint, and four Catholic peers were sworn as members of the Privy Council. The laws which forbade the presence of Catholic priests in the realm, or the open exercise of Catholic worship, were set at nought. A gorgeous chapel was opened in the Palace of St. James for the use of the King. Carmelites, Benedictines, Franciscans, appeared in their religious garb in the streets of London, and the Jesuits set up a crowded school in the Savoy. . . . The bulk of the Catholic gentry stood aloof and predicted the inevitable reaction which the King’s course must bring about, and Rome itself counselled greater moderation : but alike in vain. James was infatuated with what seemed to be the success of his enterprises. He looked upon the opposition he experienced as

[47.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 9, the first year of the reign of our Lord and Lady, William and Mary, by the grace of God King and Queen of England etc.

Before John Gibson and Constable Bradshaw, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at HEMSLEY, May 14, 1689.

Before John Gibson and Constable Bradshaw, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at RICHMOND, May 21.

Before Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Chr. Wandesford, Leon. Smelt, and John Wastell, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at THIRSKE, May 28.

due to the influence of the High Church Tories who had remained in power since the reaction of 1681, and these he determined to ‘chastise.’ He drove the Duke of Queensberry from office ; the Earls of Clarendon and Rochester, the brothers of his first wife, Anne Hyde, were deprived of their high offices, and it was made apparent to all that ‘from the most devoted loyalists James demanded apostasy as the proof of their loyalty.’ Then followed the attempt to win over the Nonconformists and the publication of the Declaration of Indulgence. This was followed by the attack on the Universities ; into the details of which there is neither space nor occasion to enter ; and the proceedings against the Bishops. The Declaration of Indulgence had been issued in April, 1688. It was not only intended to win the Nonconformists, it was an appeal to the nation at large. His resolve, the King said, ‘was to make merit the one qualification for office and to establish universal liberty of conscience for all future time. It was in this character of a royal appeal that he ordered every clergyman to read the Declaration during divine service on two successive Sundays. . . . The clergy refused almost to a man to be the instruments of their own humiliation. . . . A few days before the appointed Sunday, Archbishop Sancroft and the six of his suffragans who were able to appear at Lambeth, signed a temperate protest to the King in which they declined to publish an illegal Declaration. The issue is well known : the King’s ‘very soldiers forsook him, and the most devoted Catholics pressed him to give way.’ But all in vain. And now, on June 30th, went forth a formal invitation to William of Orange to ‘intervene in arms for the restoration of English liberty, and the protection of the Protestant religion.’ . . . The Invitation called on the Prince to land with an army strong enough to justify those who signed it rising in arms. An outbreak of revolt was in fact inevitable.” This was the pending state of affairs at the date of the present Sessions. The “admission without stint,” as the historian phrases it, “of Catholics into civil and military offices,” noted a little above, sufficiently accounts for the presence of Roman Catholic Justices on the bench under the special circumstances commented on at p. 86, and the state of expectancy, and the nature of the expectancy, indicated by the entry before us, are alike accounted for and illustrated by the facts not only that it was known to be the Prince’s intention to comply with the Invitation, but that within a fortnight of the date of this Sessions he actually set sail on his expedition ; and, although driven back by stress of weather, renewed the attempt ten days later, and eventually landed in England on the 5th of November. Perhaps, indeed, the Order before us is somewhat accentuated by the fact that the intention, when the expedition sailed for the first time, had been to effect a landing in Yorkshire.

Before Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Chr. Wandesford, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, John Lowther, Roger Talbot, Tho. Pulleine, Rob. Walters, Rich. Darley, Henry Crosland, Tho. Strangwayes, John Hopton, and Tho. Bendlowes, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at THIRSKE, June 13.

Before Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Mark Milbanke, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Tho. Worsley, Roger Talbot, John Beilby, Rob. Walters, Rich. Darley, Henry Crosland, Tho. Strangwayes, John Hopton, and Tho. Bendlowes, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at HEMSLEY, June 20.

Before Tho. Worsley, Henry Crosland, and Tho. Strangwayes, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at BEEDALL, June 25.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Mark Milbanke, Sir Chr. Wandesford, Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, John Hutton, Fr. Wyvill, and Tho. Bendlowes, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at NORTH ALLERTON, July 1.

Before Sir Chr. Wandesford, Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, and John Hopton, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Will. Robinson, Esq. : John Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—Six Whiteyside lab^rs. for riotous and unlawful assembly and assault on the watch ; five Malton men for trespass with damage and assault ; the Constables of Reeth, of Maske, of Old Malton, of New Malton, and of Arkengarthdale for neglecting their office ; four yeomⁿ. for not repairing their fences ; eleven cases of trespass with damage ; two cases of riotous assembly and assault ; two cases of illegal seizure ; two cases of stealing ; one highway not repaired ; two cases of assault. [56.] A prisoner tried and acquitted.

[56^b.] ORDERS made at THIRSKE, April 9, 1689.

£10 to be estreated for Whitby Bridge ; Ordered that Hosp^{ls}. money, the wages of the Gov^{rs}. of the Ho^s. of Corrⁿ., and prisoners' money be estreated throughout the North Riding for the last quareter and the quareter ensuing, and also L. S. money in Richmondshire ; £11. 19. to be estreated for Egton Bridge ;

HEMSLEY, May 14.

£96 to be estreated for Kirkham Bridge ; £10 for Masham Bridge ; £100 to be estreated throughout the whole North Riding towards the reimbursing the several C. C^s. what they have disbursed over and

above the £60 formerly granted for the repairing and watching the several beacons within the said Riding and paid to Mr. Rob. Bell, and in the mean time the said Mr. Bell to pay to Mr. Will. Selleyburne, out of the stock remaining in his hands, £40 towards the reimbursing him a greater sum which he hath disbursed [57.] about the repairing and watching at the beacons in Langbarugh, to be deducted out of the said £100, and this Order to be recommended to the next General Sessions to be holden by adjournment at Richmond for the concurrence of the Court ;

RICHMOND, May 21.

This Court doth confirm the Order made at Hemsley Sessions about beacons.

THIRSKE, June 13.

A warrant against Jeremiah Idle, gentⁿ., C. C. of Bulmer, for being negligent in the execution of his office.

BEEDALL, June 25.

£50 to be estreated for Borrowbridge Bridge ; £10 for Cathericke Bridge.

[57^b.] THIRSKE, May 28.

In pursuance of an Act of Parliament entitled an Act for the better securing the Government by disarming Papists and reputed Papists* :

* "The Convention was declared a Parliament February 13th, 1689 (i William and Mary, c. 1), and continued to sit until August 20." By c. 9 of this Statute, "Papists and reputed Papists" are ordered to remove at least ten miles from London, on pain of being treated as "popish recusants convict." [See below.] The Act of 1581, entitled "an Act to retain the Queen's Majesty's subjects in their due obedience," provided, among other things, "that any person reconciling another to the See of Rome should be punished as a traitor, and the person reconciled incur misprision of treason; that saying mass was to be punished by a fine of 200 marks; hearing it, by a fine of 100 marks, with, in each case, a year's imprisonment; absence from church was to be visited by a fine of £20 a month; and if continued a year, two sureties of £200 each were to be given for future good behaviour." In 1593 a severe Act was passed against "popish recusants." They were "to repair to their own homes, and not travel five miles therefrom; if they had not goods to satisfy the monthly fine of £20 for non-attendance at church, they were to abjure the realm; and if they refused to do so, to suffer as felons. They might, however, relieve themselves from the penalties of the Act by reading a formal submission in the open church." In 1606, the year following that of the Gunpowder Plot, an Act was passed "for the better discovering and repressing of Popish Recusants," by which such of them as conformed were required to take the sacrament once a year at least; their absence from church was punishable by heavy fines, and two-thirds of their lands might be taken instead; an oath of allegiance, couched in the strongest terms, was imposed; to refuse incurred a præmunire; to go into the service of any foreign prince without having taken it was felony, and the same penalty attached to persons, professedly Protestant, going abroad and declining or avoiding a bond in £20 at least not to be reconciled to the Romish Church; persons

Ordered that the several H. C^s. within this Riding do forthwith issue out their precepts to the Petty Constables, commanding them to deliver unto the said H. C^s. fairly written in a sheet of paper a true and just return of the names, surnames, additions [?habitations], and ages of all and every the Papists and reputed Papists within their respective Constableries under their hands, of the truth of which returns the said H. C^s. are to inform themselves and deliver the same unto the Justices on Wednesday June 5th next, herein the said H. C^s. and Petty Constables are not to fail as they tender the security of the Government and will answer the contrary at their perils ; the Thrs^{ts}. to pay £5. 9. 2. to John Storzaker, gentⁿ., for reimbursing him what he is out of purse and deserves for his pains about paying the money Ordered by rule of King's Bench to be paid to the inhab^{ts}. of West Burton for building the bridge there, and also for repaying him his charges about carrying five maysons to view the same bridge and the work done about it ; [58.] 26s. allowed for a loss by fire ; whereas by a late Act of Parliament entitled an Act for abrogating of the Oaths of Supremacy and Allegiance and appointing other Oathes, it is enjoined and required that all persons now having any ecclesiastical, civil, or military imployments shall before the first of August next take oathes and subscribe the Declaration in the said Act mentioned under the several penalties therein expressed* : Ordered that the harbouring recusants, except parents or wards, or keeping servants who did not attend church, were to forfeit £10 a month, and houses might be broken open in search of offenders. Another Statute banished all recusants from London, tradesmen and *bona fide* residents excepted ; persons convicted of recusancy were disabled to hold any public office, be executors or guardians, or practise any of the liberal professions ; their widows forfeited two-thirds of their dower ; marriage, christening, or burial, otherwise than according to the Order of the Church of England, was forbidden under heavy penalties ; as was sending children abroad for education without licence ; their service-books and missals and relics were to be destroyed ; *their arms were to be taken out of their hands*, but kept in repair at their expense ; and lastly, they were left to the process of the High Commission Court, as 'persons excommunicate,' notwithstanding any penalties they might suffer from this Act." Practically, none of these enactments had been repealed, while the heading of the Statute given in the minute is sufficiently suggestive of the nature of the reactionary and repressive measures it was thought requisite, under the pressure of a *quasi* panic originating in the extraordinary exercise of the late King's authority, to adopt.

* The Toleration Act was passed on May 24th. This Act, "for exempting their Majesties' Protestant subjects dissenting from the Church of England from the penalties of certain Laws," is framed on the plea that "some ease to scrupulous consciences in the exercise of religion" may unite all Protestants in interest and affection. "It accordingly exempts persons who take the new oaths of allegiance and supremacy, and also make the declaration against popery required by the Act of 1678—an Act for the more effectual preserving the King's person and government by disabling papists from sitting in either House of Parliament—from the penalties incurred by absenting themselves from church, and holding unlawful conventicles ;

respective C. C^s. within this Riding and Bailiffs of weapentakes do give publicke notice in all market towns and other publicke places that all persons concerned may take notice to appear at the General Sessions to take the said oathes as the said Act directs: the place and time where the persons are to appear according to the adjournment is to be subscribed in each Order which is also to be published with the same; a warrant against a Rookewith man for speaking contemptuous words against their Majestyes' Justices.

[59.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 16, 1689.

Before Sir Bryan Stapylton, Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Mark Milbanke, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, Roger Talbot, Rich. Darley, Henry Crosland, Tho. Strangwayes, and John Hopton, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at HEMSLEY, July 22.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, Rich. Darley, Henry Crosland, and John Hopton, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A Hutton Lockris lab^r. for using the trade of a roper without legal apprenticeship; a Yarome tailor for scandalous words; a New Malton linendraper for seditious words: “God damme the King William and Queen Mary” [fined £5]; a case of assault; three cases of stealing. [60^b.] Four bills ignored. [62.] Two prisoners tried: one acquitted and one convicted.

[62^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Rob. Micklefeild of Great Habton sworn C. C. of Pickering Lyth
vice John Franke; Order in a bastardy case; £3. 6. 8. allowed for a loss by fire; the several C. C^s. within this Riding to pay to Mr. Rob. Bell their respective proportions of the sum of £60 formerly estreated and by them collected for the repairing and watching at the several beacons, and the said Mr. Bell to pay out of the said sum and the £100 since estreated to the several C. C^s. such sums as they are out of purse for repairing and watching the said beacons, acc^{ts}. of which

it also allows the Quakers to substitute an affirmation for an oath in certain cases; but it does not relax the provisions of the Corporation and Test Acts; and those who deny the doctrine of the Trinity are excluded from its benefits. It exacts a declaration of approbation of the Thirty-nine Articles—with the exception of some clauses—from all preachers, and provides that all assemblies for religious worship shall be held with open doors.” (Annals of England, p. 500.)

they have severally produced to this Court which were approved of and allowed of by the same.

At HEMSLEY, July 22.

40s. allowed for a loss by fire.

[64.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 30, 1689.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvell, Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Mark Milbanke, Sir Chr. Wandesford, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Barrington Bourchier, Sir Will. Bowes, Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Tho. Worsley, John Lowther, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Rob. Waters, Abstrupas Danby, and Fr. Wyvell, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A Crakall yeomⁿ. for seditious words : “Here is a health to King James and I hope it will be to the confusion of the nation”; the Parish Off^{rs}. of Pickhall for neglecting their office; two cases of assault; a case of stealing; two watercourses stopped. [66.] Three bills ignored.

[66^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The Order made at Richmond January 17, 1687, about the regulating the payment of L. S. money in the parishes of Kirkby Ravensworth and Arkengarthdale, and which was then referred to Sir John Lawson, Geo. Witham and Geo. Smithson, Esquires, to be continued, and Sir Will. Bowes and John Hutton, Esq., instead of the above-mentioned gentⁿ. to take a hearing of the above-mentioned concerns and determine therein as in their judgement they shall think fit; [67.] whereas Mr. Tho. Lightfoote hath stood Thr^r. for Richmondshire and C. C. for Gilling West for several years, and is desirous to be acquitted of the said offices, and that some other persons may be chosen to succeed him, and this Court, being willing to gratify him in his request, doth Order that he shall attend upon Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Marke Milbanke, Sir Will. Bowes, Leon. Smelt, Esq. and John Wastell, Esq., who are to inspect his acc^{ts}. and to nominate and appoint such persons as they shall think meet and convenient to succeed him in the said offices; upon application made unto this Court on the behalf of Symon Scroope of Danby, Esq., that he (being a reputed Papist) may have one gun (parcel of the arms found in his custody) allowed to him to keep for the defence of his house: Ordered that such weapon be allowed to him as being necessary for the purpose aforesaid, and to be so used and not otherwise, unless for

fowling ; the like Order for the Right Hon^{ble}. Charles, Lord Fairfax ; three Justices to view Youre Bridge and give an acc^t. to Mr. Tho. Lambert of Bainbridge what they think may be sufficient for repairing the same, which if the said Mr. Lambert disburse, this Court doth Order that it shall be repaid him at the next Sessions ; [68.] a Morton man suppressed from keeping a public alehouse ; whereas Tho. Mathews hath produced his deeds to this Court whereby he hath plainly made it appear that he hath estate in Whashton for the term of sixty years : Ordered that he and his family shall be removed from Hartforth to Whashton, and the Parish Off^{rs}. there are hereby commanded to receive them and permit him to enjoy his estate there ; whereas Mr. Tho. Story, Mr. Tim. Booth, and Mr. Geo. Potter, by vertue of several warrants to them respectively directed under the hands and seals of two or more Justices, in pursuance of an Act of this present Parliament entituled [68^b.] an Act for the better securing the Government by disarming Papists and reputed Papists, have respectively seized these several horses and arms following, viz.—by Mr. Geo. Potter, of Mr. Meynill of Little Broughton, one chestnut mare ; of Mr. John Peirson of Stoxley, one bay guelding : of Mr. Tho. Midleton of Middleton, one bay guelding with a black list and a white rache* down his face : of Mr. Will. Peirson of Stoxley, one bay guelding with a starre and two white marks over his face : by the said Mr. Tho. Story, of John Crosland of Hemsley, Esq., one bay guelding : of Sir John Lawson of Burgh, one bay mare : of Will. Hildred of Manfeild, one bay mare : by the said Mr. Tim. Booth, of Roger Meynill of Kilvington, Esq., one bay stoned horse : and, by the said Mr. Tho. Story, these following arms, viz.—Of Charles, Lord Fairfax of Gilling, two pairs of pistols, holsters and brest girths, and one small gun ; and two small guns of Mr. Will. Dent of Marricke ; and by the said Mr. Tim. Booth, of Sir Will. Tankred of Branton one pair of pistols and a suite of armes, back, brest and pot :—all which horses and arms were by the Justices at the Sessions aforesaid adjudged to be forfeited to their Majesties' use and were by us delivered to the High Sheriff to be by him disposed of accordingly ; [69.] Mr. Lightfoote to pay 10*s.* as a gratuity to John Hood, Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond, for his charges in carrying a felon from Richmond to Durham to be tried at the Assizes ; forasmuch as Mr. Tho. Story in

* A list is a line—usually an outside line. Topsell mentions worms, that is snakes, having “a black liste or line running down their backs.” And Halliwell gives “RATCH. A straight line. North.” But the word, with the meaning of a white line or streak down a horse’s forehead, and lower, is perfectly familiar all through this northerly district. It will be observed that the Orders of a previous Session touching the seizure of reputed Papists’ weapons, &c., have been promptly acted on.

pursuance of a late Act of Parliament hath seized at Midleton Tyas, as this Court is informed, a bay guelding of one Anchotellus Bulmer, gentⁿ., a reputed Papist, inhabiting within the county of Durham as there concealed: Ordered that the said Mr. Story do convey or cause to be conveyed the said guelding to some of the Justices in the said county of Durham, to the end that if the said Mr. Bulmer hath not nor shall have performed what by the said Act is enjoined him, the said guelding may be disposed of by the said Justices for their Majesties' use as by the said Act is directed.

[70.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 8, 1689.

Before Sir Bryan Staplyton, Sir Chr. Wandesford, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Will. Hustler, Will. Palmes, Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Tho. Worsley, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Rob. Walters, Rich. Darley, Henry Crosland, Abstrupas Danby, Will. Pennyman, John Hopton, and Tho. Bendlowes, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at NORTHALLERTON, October 9.

Before Sir Chr. Wandesford, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, John Hopton, and Tho. Bendlowes, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at STOXLEY, November 7.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, and John Wastell, Esq.

And, by adjournment, at HEMSLEV, November 12.

Before Tho. Worsley, Roger Talbot, Henry Crosland, and Tho. Strangwayes, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A West Tanfeild taylor and a Well miller for rescue of goods seized; a Beedall yeomⁿ. for using the trade of a milliner [miller] without legal apprenticeship; two Wrelton yeomⁿ. for stopping a footpath; seven cases of stealing; a case of riotous assembly and assault; a case of forcible entry; a case of trespass with damage; six cases of assault; six cases of non-repair of highways. [75^b.] Three bills ignored. [76.] Five prisoners tried: four convicted and one acquitted.

[76^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The guelding seized by Mr. Tho. Story belonging to Anchotellus Bulmer, gentⁿ., a known Papist inhabiting in the county of Durham, and which was found within the county of Yorke, to be by him delivered to the High Sheriff of the county of Yorke, the said guelding being adjudged by the Justices at these Sessions to be forfeited to their

Majesties' use ; Rob. Harrison, jun^r., of Kirkeleatham, and Metcalfe Sanderson of Pinchingthorpe to appear at the next Sessions that the Court may pitch upon one of them to succeed Mr. Will. Sellyburne as C. C. for the East Division of Langbarugh ; Mr. Lightfoote, Thr^r. for Richmondshire, to be discharged and Mr. Will. Warwicke of Whitwell to succeed him in his said office ; Mr. Rob. Cowling of Dalton to be C. C. for Gilling West *vice* Mr. Tho. Lightfoote ; [77.] Mr. Will. Dale, present Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske, to deliver to Mr. John Wilson of Thirske peaceable possession of the said House, and also to turn over to him all the prisoners now remaining in the said House together with all the goods and implements belonging to the same, and the said Mr. Wilson, during the time he shall continue Governor, to have the same sallary paid him that his predecessor, Mr. Dale, had, and the said Mr. Dale to have a week's time to remove his own proper goods ; the Thr^rs. to pay the Surv^r. for Hestholme Bridge £6. 5. for reimbursing him what he is out of purse ; the Thr^rs. to pay Mr. Tho. Lambert £3. 13. 6. for his charges and pains about the repair of Youre Bridge ; gratuities to four L. S^s. ; [77^b.] whereas Tho. Lightfoote, gentⁿ., late Thr^r. for Richmondshire, hath perfected his acc^t., and there is found to remain in his hands £46. 8. 10. : Ordered that he pay the said sum to Mr. Will. Warwicke who succeeds him in his said Treasurership, whose receipt shall be his discharge ; no L. S. money to be paid within this Riding for the future untill this Court shall Order the contrary ; all payments hereafter to be estreated and taxed within this Riding to be estreated etc. as they were in the year 1640, and not otherwise ; the Thr^rs. to pay 10s. as a gratuity to an Irishwoman towards the defraying her charges into Ireland ; [78.] Mr. Rob. Bell to pay £2. 11. 2. to the Surv^r. for Dalton Bridge ; the Thr^rs. to pay Mr. Will. Warde, Surv^r. for bridges, £12. 7. 6. for his sallary and satisfying him what he is out of purse about the repair of several bridges more than he hath received of the country ; Mr. John Hood, Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond, to continue his Governorship and have the usual sallary paid him by Mr. Warwicke ; [78^b.] the Thr^rs. to pay unto Mr. Tim. Booth, Mr. Tho. Story and Mr. Geo. Potter £5. each as a gratuity for their good service done in seizing and taking Popish horses ; the Thr^rs. to pay Mr. John Storzaker £7. 15. 6. which he is out of purse, and for his pains in attending the Judges at the last Assizes about West Burton Bridge ; Mr. Henry Otterburne of Kirby Mooreside to be C. C. for Rydale *vice* Chr. Denton ; the Thr^rs. to pay £9. 14. 4. to Mr. Rob. Jackson for attending the Assizes and for his charges about Burton Bridge, as also for paying him for thirty-five copies of Orders sent out by Order of this Court ; [79.] whereas Sir Roger Beckwith had formerly £50. paid unto him for building of Burton Bridge, and this

Court, not being satisfied how the same hath been disposed of, doth now Order and desire him to give an acc^t. at the next Sessions how he disposed of the same, and what money remains in his hands there to pay into the Court; Tho. Coulton, a Nonconforming Minister preaching at Osgoodby Grange, the house of Sir Will. Ascough, and at Cold Kirby in the house of Will. Calfe, did, at these Sessions, take the oaths mentioned in a Statute of 1 William and Mary, entituled an Act for removing and preventing all questions and disputes concerning the assembling and sitting of this present Parliament,* and did also make and subscribe the Declaration mentioned in a Statute of 30 Charles II., intituled an Act for preventing Papists from sitting in either House of Parliament, and likewise declare his approbation of, and subscribe the Articles of Religion mentioned in the Statute of 13 Elizth., except the 34th, 35th, and 36th, and these words of the 20th Article, viz.:—"The Church hath power to decree rites and ceremonies and authority in controversies of faith, and yet"; [79^b.] Will. Clayton, Phillip Scarth, Will. Thompson, Tho. Jackson, and Will. Linskell, being persons dissenting from the Church of England, called Quakers, did at these Sessions make and subscribe the Declaration mentioned in a Statute of 30 Charles II., intituled an Act to prevent Papists from sitting etc. and did also make and subscribe the Declaration and subscribe a profession of their Christian belief mentioned in a Statute of 1 Willian and Mary, intitled an Act for exempting their Majestyes' Protestant subjects dissenting from the Church of England from the penalties of certain laws; in pursuance of the Act for exempting their Majesties' Protestant subjects etc. it was certified to the Justices at these Sessions that at the several places hereafter mentioned are meeting-houses for certain persons dissenting from the Church of England, called Quakers, viz. :

Two at Countersetts	in Aisgarth Parish,	One at Healey	in Grinton Parish,
One at Bainbridge		One at Smarbar	
One at Hawes		One at Kirton	
One at Carperby		One at Healey Parke	
One at Burton		One at Cotherston	
One at Carleton in Coverham		Two at Lartington	
Parish,		in Rombald-	
One at Layborne in Wensley		Two at Lartington	
Parish,		in kirke Parish,	
One at High Ellington in Masham		One at Crake,	
Parish,		One at Stillington,	
One at Masham,		One at Huby,	
One at Snape in Well Parish,		One at Sutton,	
		One at Newbuilding,	
		One at Wildon Grange,	
		One near Ampleforth,	

* See note p. 96.

One at Thirske,	One at Thornton in Foston Parish,
One at Woolpots,	One at Crambe,
One at Ashbury House,	One at Strensall,
One at North Allerton,	One at Firsill House in Hovingham Parish,
One at Syille,*	One at Wrelton in Midleton Parish,
[8o.] One at Borrowby,	Two at New Malton,
One at Brompton,	One at Stitnam in Sheriffe Hutton Parish,
One at Harlesey,	One at Sheriffe Hutton,
One at Ellerbecke,	One at Fosse House in the Parish of Sheriffe Hutton,
One at Thimbleby,	One at Barton in Crambe Parish,
One at Osmotherley,	One at Gisbrough,
One at Hemmersdale,	One at Stoxley,
One at Appleton,	One at Carleton,
One at Sawcocke,	One at Broughton,
One at Ingleby,	One at Ayton,
One at Hutton Moore,	One at Hutton i' the Hole,
One at Harlesey Castle,	One in Farndale,
One at Winton,	One in Rosedale,
One at Morton Flats,	One at Liverton,
One at Rownton,	One at Rowsby,
One at Hemsley,	One at Hinderwell,
One in Bilsedale,	One at Mickley,
One at Westerdale,	One at Whitby,
One at Danby,	One at Staintondale,†
One at Fryup,	One at Ellin thorpe for other Protestant Dissenters.
One at Lealham,	
One at Glazendale,	
One at Kirbymoor eside,	
One at Fadmoore,	
One at Welburne,	
One at Pickering,	

NORTH ALLERTON, October 29, 1689.

Two gentⁿ. to view the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske, and if they find that the repair thereof will cost £5., Mr. Rob. Bell to pay the said sum.

* The locality is quite uncertain.

† This list is of the greatest interest, as showing what the extent and prevalence of the sect called Quakers or Friends really was [see Introduction to Vol. VI. of this Series]. Since the Introduction just referred to was written, I have ascertained that there are in all in Danby township three Quaker burial-grounds, besides another at Lealholm, and a fifth in Glaisdale. It will be observed that meeting-houses at Danby, Lealholm and Glaisdale are named in the above list, also one in Fryup (which might be in either Danby or Glaisdale township), and one at Westerdale.

[80^b.] HEMSLEY, November 12, 1689.

Mr. Sam. Skelton to have a warrant to search for and seize guns, nets, dogs, etc. used for the destruction of game by persons not qualified ; Peter Midleton, sen^r., of North Kilvington, Esq., allowed to keep a gun for his necessary defence and fowling only ; the like order for Peter Midleton, jun^r., Esq., of the same and for John Crossland of Hemsley, Esq.

[81.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 14, 1689.

Before Sir Will. Hustler, Tho. Worsley, Rob. Walters, Henry Crossland, Tho. Strangwayes, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Sir Jonathan Jenings : John Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—The collectors of poll money for Slingsby for cheating ; a Thornton lab^r. for keeping nets and ferrets ; three cases of stealing ; eleven cases of non-repair of highways. [84^b.] One bill ignored. [85.] Two prisoners tried : one convicted and the other acquitted.

[85^b.] ORDERS made etc.

£5. to be estreated for repair of that part of New Malton Bridge which lies within this Riding ; the Thrs^r. to pay Mr. John Storzaker for the use of Mr. Allan Chamber, jun^r., £30. 4. 11., to him due for his fees and disbursements as Solicitor in defending a certain cause for the inhab^ts. of this Riding about West Burton Bridge and for getting the same discharged, and also to the said Mr. John Storzaker, for his own use, £1. 14. 9., to him due for his pains and disbursements upon the acc^t. of the said bridge ; [86.] Order in a bastardy case ; Mr. Rob. Bell to pay Mr. Wilson, Master of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske, £5. towards the reimbursing him what he hath expended about the repair of the said House ; the inhab^ts. of Howthorpe to appear at the next Sessions and shew cause why in all ass^ts., etc. they ought not to pay proportionably to Eryholme according to their pound rent ; [86^b.] John Agar, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Langbarugh *vice* Mr. Will. Sellyburne ; whereas Mr. Tho. Story and Mr. Geo. Potter by virtue of several warrants have respectively seized these several horses and arms, viz. :—the said Mr. Tho. Story—one bay mare belonging to Mrs. Walsworth of Whenby, one bay mare belonging to Mr. Staincliffe of the same town, and one bay gelding belonging to Mr. Bulmer, of Edm. Angell of St. Mary Gate one small gun, of Will. Hebden of Steersby

one sword ; and taken by the said Mr. Geo. Potter from Will. Collingwood, Esq., two stoned horses, the one a grey and the other a bay, from Mr. Will. Peirson of Stoxley, one sanded grey gelding, all which horses and arms were by the Justices at these Sessions adjudged to be forfeited etc., and delivered to the High Sheriff ; [87.] Mr. Will. Sellyburne, late C. C. for Langbarugh, to perfect his acc^{ts}. before two Justices, and in case of refusal etc. ; Mr. Bell to pay 22s. 6d. as a gratuity for the repair of Laskell Bridge ; gratuities to four L. S^s. ; the Th^rs. to pay unto Mr. Tho. Story, Mr. Tim. Booth, and Mr. Geo. Potter, being persons employed by the Justices to seize Papists' horses and arms, £5 each, as a gratuity for their good service.

[88.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 21, 1689.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Mark Milbanke, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Will. Bowes, Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, John Hutton, Astrupas Danby, Fr. Wyvill, John Hopton, and Tho. Bendlowes, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at WHITBY, January 28.

Before Sir Will Hustler and Tho. Strangwayes, Esquire.

And, by adjournment, at BEEDALL, February 10.

Before Rich. Peirse, Astrupas Danby, and Tho. Bendlowes, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at KIRKLINGTON, February 19.

Before Sir Chr. Wandesford, Astrupas Danby, and Tho. Bendlowes, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Two Grinton lab^{rs}. for keeping setting-dogs ; a Wath lab^r. for beating and wounding four oxen with a stick ; a Baldersdale lab^r. for taking away a horse and cutting off its tail ; the Bailiff of Hallikeld for extortion on two occasions ; the said Bailiff for summoning a man to sit on the Jury at the Assizes who was not returned by the Sheriff ; the Overseer of Exilby for neglecting his office ; four lab^{rs}. for obtaining and executing warrants under colour of being Deputy-Bailiffs for Richmondshire ; five cases of stealing ; two cases of trespass with damage ; three cases of assault ; two cases of non-repair of highways. [93.] Two bills ignored. Four prisoners tried : three acquitted and one convicted.

[93^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The complaint of the inhab^{ts}. of Well concerning the sum of £5 put into the hands of a widow for the relief of the poor of Well referred

to two Justices ; Symon Thornton and Geo. Wray, late C. C^s. of Hang West to perfect their acc^{ts}. before the next Sessions ; Tho. Smith and John Hutchinson, gentⁿ., sworn C. C^s. for Hang West, and Tho. Cowling, gentⁿ., for Gilling West ; [94.] whereas by the Act for punishing officers or soldiers who shall mutiny or desert their Majesties' service and for punishing false musters, it is enacted that officers and soldiers quartered and billited according to the directions of the said Act shall pay such reasonable prices as shall be appointed from time to time by the Justices in the Quarter Sessions of each county, city, or division, or place within their respective jurisdictions, and the said Justices are empowered and required by the said Act to set and appoint as aforesaid such reasonable rates for all necessary provisions for such officers and soldiers for one or more nights in their marching through the citties, towns, villages, and other places, and for the first night only in such places as shall be appointed for their residence or quarters : Ordered that each trooper within this Riding shall pay for his own meat, for each night as aforesaid—6d., and for hay and straw for his horse for the same—6d., and that each dragoon shall pay for his own meat for each night—4½d., and for hay and straw for his horse—4½d., and that each foote soldier shall pay for his own meat for each night—4d., and for every quart of ale or strong beare 2d., and that all officers and soldiers shall pay for every peck of oats 4d., and for every peck of beans 6d., which said measure of corn is to be according to the Statute, and so proportionably for greater or less measures in their respective quarterings as aforesaid ; the settling of the rates betwixt the inhab^{ts}. of Aske and the inhab^{ts}. of Easby referred to three Justices ; [94^b.] the repairs of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond, and the complaint of the prisoners there, referred to three Justices ; whereas a Bellerby woman had her house and household goods consumed by fire, the Court doth recommend her sad condition to the several Ministers in Hang West, who are desired to stir up the charity of their several parishioners to a charitable contribution towards her sad loss ; [95.] the moneys remaining in the hands of Sir Roger Beckwith concerning Burton Bridge to be referred to the examination of Astrupas Danby and Tho. Bendlowes, Esquires, who are to take his acc^{ts}. and make their report etc. ; Order in a bastardy case ; [95^b.] the Thr^r. for Richmondshire to pay unto Math. White £3. for this year next ensuing, being the pension yearly due to him upon this Order as Conservator of all the rivers in Richmondshire ; [Signed] W^m. Chaytor, Will. Bowes, Astrupas Danby, Fran. Wyvill, John Wastell, John Hutton, Leo. Smelt.

WHITBY.

Isaac Scarth, Gideon Meggison, Ruben Linskell, Roger Dickinson,

Will. Dawson, Ingram Johnson, Jos. Scarth, Geo. Meggison, Will. Heslam, Math. Swift, Will. Thompson, Geo. Comyn, Laur. Heslam, Rich. Vasie, Roger Natris, Jas. Hudson, Jos. Linskell, Rob. Noble, Will. Linskell, Will. Gaskin, Will. Chapman, all of Whitby, John Langstaffe of Hawske, Jas. Postgate, Steph. Dickinson and Will. Harton, all of Filingdales, being persons dissenting from the Church of England called Quakers, did at these Sessions make and subscribe the Declaration mentioned in a Statute of 30 Charles II., intituled an Act to prevent Papists from sitting in either House of Parliament, and did also make and subscribe the Declaration and subscribe a profession of their Christian belief mentioned in a Statute of 1 William and Mary, intituled an Act for exempting their Majesties' Protestant subjects from the penalties of certain laws.

[96^b.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 29, 1690.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Bryan Stapylton, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Will. Hustler, Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Tho. Langley, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Rob. Walters, Rich. Darley, Fr. Wyvill, Will. Pennyman, John Hopton, and Tho. Bendlowes, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at OSGERBY, May 5.

Before Rob. Walters, and Tho. Bendlowes, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at NORTHALLERTON, May 12.

Before Rich. Peirse, Roger Talbot, John Hopton, and Tho. Bendlowes, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at BEEDALL, May 13.

Before Leon. Smelt, Rob. Walters, Astrupas Danby and Tho. Bendlowes, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at MIDDLEHAM, May 16.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, and Fr. Wyvill, Esquire.

And, by adjournment, at RICHMOND, May 17.

Before Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Will. Bowes, John Wastell, John Hutton, and John Hopton, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at SUTTON-IN-THE-FORREST, May 20.

Before Sir Bryan Stapylton, Sir Barrington Bourchier, Rich. Darley, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at RICHMOND, May 27.

Before Sir Mark Milbanke and Sir Will. Chaytor.

High Sheriff, Sir Chr. Wandeford : John Storzaker, Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—An Askrig man for scandalous words against a woman, viz.—“She is a thief and stole a pair of shooes from the old

gang"; an East Rawe yeomⁿ. and a Grinton yeomⁿ. for keeping handguns; an Ugthorpe yeomⁿ. for seditious words, viz.—“There is no king but King James, I wish prosperity to King Janies and all his forces”; a Rosedale yeomⁿ. for bribing a man to commit perjury; five Whitby men for unlawful assembly and assault; the Overseer of West Tanfield and the Constable of Farndale for neglecting their office; a Layborne gentⁿ. for seditious words, viz.—“King James commands the best army that ever he commanded in his life, he hath an hundred thousand men that will fight, for they are most Irishmen and have lived long under the slavery of the English and therefore will fight for their libertyes, and the rest are Frenchmen who well know the wishes of the English towards them, and I am sure they will never turn their backs, and I will wager you a guiney that within a moneth King James will be either in England or Scotland with his army”; two cases of forcible entry; seven cases of assault; four cases of illegal seizure; five cases of stealing. [103.] Five bills ignored. One prisoner tried and convicted.

[103^b.] ORDERS made etc.

£5. to be estreated for New Malton Bridge; Edw. Foxton of Brompton, gentⁿ., and Geo. Richardson, nigh Thornton-le-Beanes, to be C. C^s. for Allertonshire *vice* Shadraach Duning, gentⁿ., and John Key, gentⁿ.; the settleing of the rates betwixt the inhab^{ts}. of Aske and the inhab^{ts}. of Easby referred to three Justices; Mr. Will. Warde, Surv^r. for bridges, to view Keldome Bridge, and the Thr^{rs}. to pay him at the next Sessions as a gratuity such sum as he shall declare the same will require to amend it; [104.] the Constabery of Winton to maintain and relieve their own poor pursuant to a Statute of 14 Charles II., and not contribute to the relief of the Constableries of Sigston and Sowerby; £200. to be estreated for the repair of Gromon Bridge; Jos. Kirton* of Ugthorpe refused to take the new oathes appointed by the Act for abrogating of the oathes of supremacy and allegiance and appointing other oathes, therefore fined 20s., commit; John Rennyson of Laborne the like, paid to Fr. Wyvill, Esq.; [104^b.] whereas a Northallerton man and his wife, who have had the custody of a lunaticke, do not provide apparell and necessaries proper for her, and have suffered the house and tenements belonging to her to be ruinous, and forasmuch as her nephew, to whom the reversion of the said tenements belongs, doth offer to give sufficient security to the Parish Off^{rs}. to provide sufficient meat, drink, lodging, washing, apparell, and all other necessaries for her during her natural life, and that she shall not be at

* No intimation whatever is afforded as to the quality, trade, or profession of the man named in this Minute.

any time hereafter chargeable to the inhab^{ts}. of Northallerton: Ordered that her said keepers do deliver and give up the custody and charge of the said woman unto her said nephew to be kept by him and provided for as is fitting; £40. to be estreated as a gratuity for Brompton Bowe Bridge, the inhab^{ts}. of Brompton undertaking to get the said bridge well and sufficiently repaired, and to be at all charge of such repairs beyond the said sum, the same being no country bridge; gratuities to six L. S^s.; the present Surv^{rs}. of the highways of the town of Northallerton to pay unto the late Surv^{rs}. what moneys they expended in the repairing of the highways in and about the said town, or else shew cause etc.; [105.] £25. to be estreated for the repair of that part of Borrowbridge Bridge which belongs to this Riding; £20. to be estreated for Cathericke Bridge; [105^b.] £33. 10. 1. to be estreated throughout the seven weapentakes of the East Division of this Riding for reimbursing Mr. John Wilson, Master of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske, what he is out of purse about the repair of the same; the salary formerly paid to the Master of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond to be withdrawn, and £6. per annum to be added to the salary of the Master of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske; [106.] Mr. Warde to view that part of New Malton Bridge belonging to this Riding and make his report to this Court what will be sufficient for repairing the same, which said sum is to be estreated at the next Sessions; £50. to be estreated in the five weapentakes of Richmondshire for reimbursing the charges laid out in the repair of the Ho^s. of Corrⁿ.; 22s. 6d. to be given as a gratuity for repair of Laskall Bridge; 15s. to be given as a gratuity to three men for their charge and attendance at Thirske for their Majesties' service; in pursuance of the Act for exempting their Majesties' Protestant subjects dissenting from the Church of England from the penalties of certain laws, it was certified to the Justices at these Sessions that the house of Mr. Tho. Smithson at Moulton, and the house of Mr. Daniel Smith at Hartforth are intended to be made use of for divine worship by certain persons dissenting from the Church of England, and the said Mr. Smithson did at these Sessions take the oathes and make and subscribe the Declaration mentioned in the said Act; [106^b.] Signed John Hutton, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Fr. Wyvill, Rob. Walters, Leon. Smelt, Tho. Bendlowes.

OSGERBY, May 5.

Sir Will. Ayscough of Osgerby did at these Sessions take the oathes mentioned in the Act for removing and preventing all questions etc. concerning the sitting of this present Parliament, and did also make and subscribe the Declaration mentioned in the Statute for preventing Papists from sitting in either House of Parliament.

[107.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 15, 1690.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Will. Hustler, Tho. Worsley, Edw. Thompson, Rich. Staynes, Roger Talbot, Rob. Walters, Tho. Strangwayes, Will. Pennyman, and Tho. Bendlowes, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Two yeomⁿ. for stopping a footpath at Wrelton ; a case of riotous assembly and assault ; three cases of stealing ; a case of assault ; a highway out of repair ; [109.] one bill ignored.

[111.] ORDERS made etc.

Mr. Bell to pay unto a soldier in the horse militia 5s. as a gratuity for some good service by him done by the directions of the Deputy Leivetenants within this Riding ; Mem. that a black guelding with a small white starre, his nigh hind foot white, belonging to Sir Hugh Smithson, a Papist, seized by Roger Pinkney, was adjudged forfeited, and delivered to the High Sheriff ; 20s. allowed for a loss by fire occasioned by lightenings ; [111^b.] whereas a difference now is and hath been long depending between the inhab^{ts}. of this Riding and the inhab^{ts}. of the bishoprick of Durham about the respective parts of Yarome Bridge that the inhab^{ts}. of the said counties ought severally to repair, for the determining of which this Court doth desire and appoint Sir Tho. Pennyman Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Marke Milbanke and Sir Will. Hustler to meet such Justices as the Sessions in Durham shall nominate upon the aforesaid business, and to discourse and accommodate the said difference with them if possibly they can, and to make their report etc. ; £10. to be paid as a gratuity for reimbursing the Surv^r. for Keldome Bridge ; Mr. Bell to pay 20s. as a gratuity to a poor man lately driven by the rebellion in Ireland from his wife and children there ; and 5s. to a Thirske man ; [Signed] Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, T. Strangways.

[112^b.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 22, 1690.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Will. Frankland, Sir Mark Milbanke, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Will. Bowes, Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, John Hutton, Fr. Wyvill, John Hopton, and Tho. Bendlowes Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at NEWBY-ON-SWALE, July 30.

Before Sir Will. Robinson, Rich. Staines, Rob. Walters, and Tho. Bendlowes, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at SUTTON-IN-THE-FORREST, August 12.

Before Edw. Thompson and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The inhab^{ts}. of Morton-on-Swale for not repairing their stocks and their common pinfold ; the inhab^{ts}. of Midleton Tyas for keeping no watch ; a Gilling yeomⁿ. for refusing to keep the watch ; three Midleton Tyas lab^{rs}. for refusing to pay ass^{ts}. ; a case of illegal seizure ; a case of assault ; fifty-two persons in Hang West for keeping alehouses without licence.

[117^b.] ORDERS made etc.

In pursuance of the Act for the better securing the Government by disarming Papists and reputed Papists one grey guelding of the goods of John Berry of Yarome, a Popish recusant, and one sad coloured grey mare of John Clifton's of Stanwicke, another Popish recusant, were seized and delivered to the High Sheriff ; 20s. allowed for a loss by fire ; Edw. Foxton of Brompton and Geo. Richardson of Thornton-le-Beanes sworn C. C^s. for Allertonshire ; the Thr^t. for Richmondshire to pay unto the Constable of Tunstall 15s. as a gratuity to encourage his future diligence, he having formerly apprehended several dangerous persons when he was upon the watch ; it is certified that the houses of John Kiplin, and John Heslop of Lartington and Cuthbert Hutchinson and Henry Walker of Collerston are set apart for the publick worship of Protestant Dissenters ; [118.] the difference about the settling the rates betwixt the inhab^{ts}. of Aske and the inhab^{ts}. of Easby to be deferred until the next General Sessions, or until such time as the Right Hon^{ble}. the Lord Wharton shall desist from insisting upon his privilege of Parliament, or till such time as the privilege of Parliament is out, this Court being informed by Tho. Bendlowes, Esq., that he doth insist and stand upon the same ; whereas the inhab^{ts}. of Thimbleby have made their complaint that they are much oppressed by the inhab^{ts}. of Osmotherley in their monthly ass^{ts}. to the poor : three Justices desired to examine into the true valuation of both the said places and to make their report etc., that thereupon an Order of this Court may settle the said difference for the future, and in the mean time the former Order made by the Justices to be obeyed and observed ; the moneys remaining in the hands of John Wastell, Esq., to be by him disposed of for the repair of Brompton and Morton Bridges, that given to Brompton Bridge being a gratuity, for it is no country bridge ; [118^b.] the Court having perused the

acc^{ts}. of the Constable of Stanwicke-cum-Carleton which comes to £1. 14. 4. doth Order that an ass^t. be made upon the inhab^{ts}. of the said Constabulary for the said sum for reimbursing the said Constable, and it is recommended to the next J P. to see this Order executed ; Ordered that the respective Bailiffs within this Riding shall, at every General Sessions, amongst them return to the Bench forty-eight free-holders to serve at every ensuing Sessions upon the Grand Juries, and at the same time eighteen other freeholders to serve upon the Jury of Traverses, to the end and intent the High Sheriff may insert their several names in the respective Sessions warrants, and that for the future no more may be summoned than the business of the Court requires and are mentioned in the Sessions warrants ; Mr. Warwicke to pay 20s. as a gratuity to a person descended of a good family [Mrs. Marg^t. Bird of Richmond], and now fallen into a necessitous condition ; [119.] the difference between the present Surv^rs. for highways of Allerton and the workmen concerned for repairing the same referred to two Justices ; [Signed] Will. Bowes, John Hutton, Franc. Wyvill, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Leo. Smelt, Tho. Bendlowes.

At SUTTON-IN-THE-FORREST, August 12.

Whereas there is a difference betwixt Mr. Dan. Bolderoe and Tho. Richardson and Mary Layton, occupiers of certain lands in Cornbrough, about their rates in ass^{ts}. for the relief of the poor, the said Tho. Richardson and Mary Layton complaining that they are overcharged in all such ass^{ts}., and desiring that they may be charged according to the valuation of their lands at Cornbrough by pound rate only : Ordered that the said Mr. Dan. Bolderoe or his agent appear at the next Sessions to shew cause why they should not be assessed as they desire, and that in the mean time the said Mr. Bolderoe have notice of this Order.

[120.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 7, 1690.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Mark Milbanke, Sir Will. Hustler, Leon. Smelt, Tho. Worsley, Tho. Langley, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Rob. Walters, Rich. Darley, Astrupas Danby, Tho. Strangwayes, Fr. Wyvill, Will. Pennyman, and Tho. Bendlowes, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The Constable of Gilling for neglecting his office ; a Northallerton alehouse-keeper for forcible entry on the common pin-fold ; the collector of the poll-tax at Ellerton-on-Swale for extortion

under colour of his office; a case of rescue; two cases of illegal seizure; two cases of assault; two cases of stealing; a case of riotous assembly and assault. [124^b.] Three prisoners tried: two acquitted and the other convicted.

[125.] ORDERS made etc.

It appearing to this Court that Chr. Bell, Will. Simpson, Geo. Arnet, Geo. Hustwhaite, Steph. Bell, Ralph Nelson, Tho. Eeles, Ralph Bell, Tho. Richardson, and Rob. Arnet, all of Sowerby, have no freehold estates, but only leasehold for years, and have heretofore [been] several times returned to serve on the Grand Jury: Ordered that they be for the future acquitted of that service, and the Chief Bailiff of Birdforth, upon notice of this Order, for the future to summon them no more upon that service or any other Juries at these Sessions; £50. to be estreated for the repair of the North Riding part of Yarome Bridge; Henry Raper of Ainderby and Fr. Allen of West Tanfeild to be C. C^s. *vice* Mr. Rich. Firby and Mr. Chr. Hops; £85. to be estreated for reimbursing Sir Edw. Blacket and Rob. Walters, Esq., what they are out of purse about the repair of that part of Borrowbridge Bridge which belongs to this Riding, and this Court doth desire them to keep the said money in their hands until they have the further order of the Court; [125^b.] the Thr^{rs}. to pay £3. as a gratuity to the Surv^r. for Keldome Bridge; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £8. for the repair of Croft Bridge; whereas £500. was heretofore imposed upon the inhab^{ts}. of the county of Yorke for not repairing the Castle of Yorke, the common prison for the said county, and whereas a considerable sum of money hath been spent about the keeping the said fine from being levied, and will be further spent about the taking off the same and settling that affair, the proportion of which sum for this Riding amounts to £10.: Ordered that the Thr^{rs}. shall pay as a gratuity the said £10. to Mr. Tho. Thompson of Yorke, by him to be paid for managing the said concern, which said sum is to be estreated for reimbursing the said Thr^{rs}.; 40s. allowed for a loss by fire; the difference in question betwixt Midleton Tyas and Bowes concerning the carriage for their Majesties' forces from Bowes to Burgh referred to two Justices; [126.] £20. to be estreated for the repair of that part of New Malton Bridge which belongs to this Riding; a Little Claxton man suppressed from keeping an alehouse in the place where he now lives, it standing privately in a dangerous place for thieves and rogues to resort to; the Thr^{rs}. to pay 6s. *per annum* to John Collinson for his pains in cleansing the River Darwent of weeds within this Riding, adjoining upon Yedingham Bridge, he having the like sum allowed him out of the East Riding for doing the like service in the said river

within that Riding; the Thrs. to pay £3. 2. 6. to the Surv^r. for Bainbridge and Aisgarth Bridges; [126^b.] whereas at the last Hemsley Sessions a black guelding with a small white starre, his nigh hind foot white, was seized as a horse belonging to Sir Hugh Smithson, a Papist, and adjudged to be forfeited to their Majesties' use and thereupon sent to the present High Sheriff, but it appearing to this Court that the said guelding doth really belong to one Mr. Rob. Wright of Sedgefeild in Durham: the Court doth therefore Order and desire the High Sheriff (the said Mr. Wright paying such charges as he hath been at in keeping, and paid for taking, the said guelding) to deliver him the said guelding, and for his so doing this shall be his discharge; gratuities to seven L. S^s; the Thrs. to pay 30s. to Mr. Allan Chamber for getting West Burton Bridge discharged, which sum he is out of purse since he received the money formerly granted; [127.] the Thrs. to pay unto Mr. Will. Warde, Surv^r. for bridges, £20. for his salary due at Michaelmas last, and for the future the said Mr. Warde to be discharged from being Surv^r.; £15. to be estreated for the repair of Kirkham Bridge; Marm. Wyvill, Roger Talbot, Astrupus Danby, John Hutton, Franc. Wyvill, Tho. Bendlowes.

[128.] NEW MALTON.

Qu. Sessions at, January 13, 169⁰₁.

Before Tho. Worsley, Edw. Thompson, Tho. Langley, Rich. Darley, Tho. Strangwayes, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

Henry Fairfax, Esq., High Sheriff: John Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presents:—The Constable of Sheriff Hutton for neglecting his office; two Lyth yeomⁿ. for refusal to pay ass^ts.; five cases of stealing. [130.] Three bills ignored. Three prisoners tried and convicted.

[130^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas it appears to this Court that Fr. Webster of Colton at Martinmas last hired a man as his servant to live with him one year, the said man pretending he was able to perform his service, but in truth he was lame and no way able to make it good, and the said Fr. Webster having made his complaint within forty days' time to Tho. Worsley, Esq., who at these Sessions acquainted the Court therewith: upon which this Court doth Order that the said man shall be discharged from his said service and removed to Ryton where he was last legally settled, there to be provided for; the Court doth give liberty to a Sheriff Hutton

woman who had her goods destroyed by fire to receive the benevolence of all charitable and well-disposed persons within the weapentake of Bulmer, and doth further desire all preachers in the said weapentake to stir up their auditors to a charitable contribution towards her, and doth further Order Mr. Bell to pay her 20*s.* as a gratuity; [131.] Mr. Rob. Bell to pay 20*s.* as a gratuity to a Great Barugh man towards the building him a house there, the inhab^ts. being very poor and not able to do it themselves; Mr. Dan. Bolderoe of Cornebrough to appear at the next Sessions to be holden by adjournment at Thirske, February 24th, there to stand to and abide such Order as the Court shall make for regulating the rates, etc. at Cornebrough; gratuities to a L. S., a poor lame boy troubled with the evil, and a decrepited old man; whereas complaint hath been made unto us four Justices whose names are hereunto subscribed, by the apprentice of a Hovingham tanner that his said master hath absented himself and takes no care to have him instructed in his said trade [131^b.] according to the tenor and purport of one pair of indentures dated November 1, 1685, to that intent made: we the said Justices do therefore think fit to discharge the said apprentice of his apprenticeship and do by these presents under our hands and seals pronounce and declare that we have for the cause aforesaid discharged him, this 14th day of January, 169⁰ Tho. Worsley, Rich. Darley, Tho. Langley, W^m. Pennyman.

[132.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 20, 169⁰.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Mark Milbanke, Sir Will. Bowes, Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, John Hutton, and Anth. Wharton, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A Newton-in-the-Willowes yeomⁿ. for not repairing his fences; the Churchwardens of Rombaldkirke for neglecting their office; two Cathorpe yeomⁿ. for refusal to pay ass^ts.; two Grinton yeomⁿ. for breaking down a fountain; a case of stealing. [134.] Five bills ignored. [134^b.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[135.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas it was formerly Ordered that an ass^t. should be made in the Constabulary of Stanwicke for £1. 14. 4. for reimbursing the late Constable there, which ass^t. was made and several persons having refused to pay their respective proportions of the same: Ordered that the present Constable do levy the said sum of four persons named, and

in case he refuse etc.; the Thir^r. for Richmondshire to pay £6. as a gratuity towards the building of Grasholme Bridge; [135^b.] Fr. Allen of Tanfeild and Henry Raper of Ainderby Whearnehowe, gentⁿ., sworn C. C^s. for Hallikeld *vice* Chr. Hops, and Rich. Firby, gentⁿ.; the Thir^r. for Richmondshire to pay 20s. as a gratuity to a Richmond gentⁿ.; [136.] the Thir^r. for Richmondshire to pay 20s. as a gratuity to James Browne towards the buying him a boat to help passengers over the River Tease at a place called Wycliffe Sills betwixt Yorkshire and Durham, it being of great use and benefit to both the said counties; Daniel Smith of Hartforth, gentⁿ., did at these Sessions take the oaths mentioned in the Act for removing all questions concerning the assembling of this present Parliament, and did also make and subscribe the Declaration mentioned in the Act to prevent Papists from sitting in either House of Parliament. Anthony Wharton, Leo. Smelt, John Wastell.

[137.] THIRSK.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, February 24, 169¹.

Before Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Will. Hustler, Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Tho. Worsley, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, and Anth. Wharton, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc as before.

Presentments:—A Sand Hutton woman for scandalous words; a case of assault; three cases of stealing. [138^b.] Two prisoners tried: one acquitted and one convicted.

[139] ORDERS made etc.

Will. Thornton of Askrig, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Hang West *vice* Mr. Tho. Smith; a man to have a pass to go to Hull to enter into his Majesty's service there within the space of eight days, and Mr. Rob. Bell to pay him 2s. 6d. as a gratuity; five dangerous and idle rogues (persons to the Court unknown) pursuant to their Majesties' Proclamation to be conveyed by Mr. John Wilson, Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirsk, to Scarbrough, and their Majesties' collectors of the Customs there are hereby Ordered and required to receive them and to pay the said Mr. Wilson according to their Majesties' Proclamation such charges as he is out of purse and what he reasonably deserves for his pains in conveying the said persons thither as aforesaid; [139^b.] whereas there hath been several disputes between the inhab^ts. of Cornbrough and Mr. Dan. Bolderoe for regulating the ass^ts. there, and it was Ordered at the last Malton Sessions that they should appear at these

Sessions to stand to such determination as the Court should make, and the Court being fully satisfied that the said Mr. Bolderoe had notice of the said Order, and he not appearing to make his defence : the Court doth therefore Order that the inhab^{ts}. of Cornebrough together with the said Mr. Bolderoe do, for the future, for their lands at Cornebrough aforesaid, in all ass^{ts}. etc. pay according to their antient pound rate and not otherwise, until the Court shall Order the contrary. John Wastell, Rich. Staines.

[140^b.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 21, 1691.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Bryan Stapylton, Sir Chr. Wandesford, Sir Will. Cayley, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Barrington Bourchier, Sir Will. Hustler, Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Tho. Worsley, Tho. Langley, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Beilby, John Hutton, Rob. Walters, Rich. Darley, Tho. Strangwayes, Anth. Wharton, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at RICHMOND, May 1.

Before Sir Will. Bowes, John Wastell, John Hutton and Anth. Wharton, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at NORTHALLERTON, May 8.

Before Sir Mark Milbanke, Sir Will. Robinson, Leon. Smelt, Rich. Peirse, Roger Talbot, Rich. Darley, and Fr. Wyvill, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at THIRSKE, June 4.

Before Sir Bryan Stapylton, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Rich. Staines, and Rich. Darley, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Rich. Sinkler of Easingwould, yeomⁿ., for teaching boys without licence from the Bishop of the Diocese ; two Whorleton yeomⁿ. for not repairing their fences ; a Sand Hutton lab^t. for erecting a cottage ; a Scarbrough postboy for receiving letters and 6d. for their postage from a Wykeham man and not carrying the said letters to New Malton ; an Appleton Wiske yeomⁿ. for scandalous words ; the Overseers of Tanfeild for neglecting their office ; Clement Peart, common informer, for extortion under colour of his office ; a Northallerton tanner and a Melmerby tanner for exposing hides for sale before they were examined and sealed ; three shoemakers for making shoes with calfskin ; the Constables of Stainton and of Skelton for neglecting their office ; a case of riotous assembly ; nine watercourses stopped ; a highway out of repair ; four cases of stealing. [147.] Two bills ignored. [149^b.] Four prisoners tried : one convicted, and three acquitted.

[150.] ORDERS made etc.

Marm. Hartley and Henry Stephenson sworn C. C^s. of Gilling East ; [150^b.] John Parke of Pickering sworn C. C. for Pickering Lyth *vice* Mr. Wainde ; £5. to be estreated for the repair of the pavement of that part of Borrowbridge Bridge which belongs to this Riding ; whereas the Constableries of Reeth and Mewker were time out of mind both one Constabery, until, about the year 1667, they were divided and made two Constableries, since which division the inhab^{ts}. of Reeth are sensible that they have been much imposed upon by the inhab^{ts}. of Mewker in all their ass^{ts}. and desire to be made one Constabery again as formerly : Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. of Mewker shall have notice of this Order and appear at the next Sessions and shew cause (if they can) why the said two Constableries shall not be united as formerly ; [151.] the Th^rs. to pay 42s. 6d. as a gratuity for the repair of Laskall Bridge ; the Th^rs. to pay 22s. 6d. as a gratuity to a woman, late an inhab^t. in Ireland, who there lived in a very plentifull condition and is now reduced to great necessity ; £3. allowed for a loss by fire ; the Th^rs. to pay £1. 11. to Mr. Fr. Taylor for money due and in arrear in the year Sir Will. Robinson was High Sheriff, for the King's Bench and Marshalsey ; the Th^rs. to pay 42s. 6d. for satisfying the workmen employed about the repair of Rotherforth Bridge ; the inhab^{ts}. of Scalby to pay 29s. 1d. for defraying the charges of conveying a man to Yorke Castle ; [151^b.] the Th^rs. to pay £20. as a gratuity for repair of Brompton Bridge ; the Th^rs. to pay £19. 17. 6. unto John Wilson, gentⁿ., Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske, for repairs about the said House and for reimbursing him other moneys by him laid out upon several occasions, which the Court is willing to allow him ; whereas by vertue of a warrant or judgement, dated March 13th last, under the hands of two Justices, the goods of Will. Pennocke of Pickering to the value of £15. were taken by reason of a fine of £3. set by the said Justices upon him upon the complaint of Cirriacke Taylor, an Officer of Excise, for and concerning the said Will. Pennocke's brewing in his house certain quantities of small beer, not having brewed his own liquor within the space of one year next before November 17th last, contrary to the late Act for doubling the duty of Excise upon beer, ale, and other liquors for the space of one year, or for some other offence contrary to the same, or one of the Acts for the duty of Excise, and whereas the said Will. Pennocke did thereupon pay the said £3. in hopes to have his said goods again and relief in the premisses, and hath this day come before the Court and complained of the aforesaid proceedings, and that he is in no sort guilty of the matter and offences charged in the said warrant or judgment, and hath made it appear that he hath brewed his own liquor within the space of a year as aforesaid, and that he was not duly summoned according to the

said Act to answer the matters charged against him, whereupon he did appeal to this Court according to the said Acts and prayed that he might have restitution of his said goods and the said £3., and it appearing to this Court that the said Cirriacke Taylor was duly summoned and did not appear: Ordered upon due examination and proof of the said matters that the said goods so levied and the said £3. so paid be restored to the said Will. Pennocke and the said judgment reversed; gratuities to four persons who have suffered loss by fire; [152^b.] gratuities to two L. S^s; whereas it appears to this Court that Rob. Bulmer of Morton Bridge for several years by-past in the winter time hath had great loss in his grounds there, when the river was out, by people riding over it, it being otherwise impossible for travellers to pass, and that hitherto he hath had no satisfaction from the country, in consideration whereof Ordered that the Thr^rs. at the present pay him 30s. and for the future 20s. *per annum* upon the account that he shall suffer persons in the winter time to pass peaceably through his grounds as formerly he hath done, and also place and erect stoops in his grounds for guides and marks for preserving passengers from going into the river of Swale*; Mr. Will. Warde to be for the future, until the Court shall Order the contrary, Surv^r. for bridges for the seven weapentakes in the East Division in this Riding, and to have allowed him for his salary £12. *per annum*; [153.] the schoolhouse at Hartford, and the houses of Ralph Fryer in the parish of Grinton, Elizth. James of Rombaldkirke, Chr. Wilson of Gilmanby, and Will. Smith of Rom-

* No more forcibly graphic picture than that which is here presented of the difficulties and dangers of travelling in the vicinity of rivers during time of inundation, and indeed throughout the wet season of the year, could possibly be given. A recent Order, directing that a gratuity should be paid to a man who had been occupying himself in clearing some of the weeds which were encumbering the channel of one of our more important North Riding rivers, was in itself sufficient to call up before our minds what the general state of the river in question must have been before there could be scope for private enterprise to occupy itself in such a way. But the present Order, from the mention of compensation made to the occupant or owner of land by the river-side, on account of damage done by compulsorily trespassing travellers, down to the erection of posts to serve as way-marks to keep them out of the river itself, does indeed present the matter to us with startling clearness. On our moors here we have such stoops set along the recognized moor-roads, the object of them being to serve as guides or marks to the passenger in snowy weather, the tracks themselves being filled and the line of them utterly obliterated at such seasons. But if fog supervene, alas for the luckless passenger! I once, under such a combination of circumstances, crossed two of these stoup-indicated tracks, the one of them twice, the other three times, without the slightest suspicion of the fact: and I had with me a gamekeeper, who knew the moor even better than I did myself, and who was just as un-aware to the whereabouts of the tracks as I was myself. Such a contingency befalling a wayfarer along this Swale-side roadway could scarcely have any but one result.

baldkirke, are certified to be set apart for meeting-houses for Protestant Dissenters. Will. Frankland, W. Hustler, Rich. Staines.

At RICHMOND, May 1.

When any passenger shall come to Newton Morrell going northward, the Constable to carry him to Manfeild and so directly to Peircebridge and not by the way of Stapleton as they have formerly done.

[153^b.] NORTHALLERTON, May 8.

£50. to be estreated for defraying the charges of procuring a grant of the Castle of Yorke and the soyle thereof for a common gaole and getting time for repairing thereof; £20. allowed for losses by fire; £50. to be estreated for Smeaton Bridge; whereas by a warrant dated March 13th last, under the hands of two Justices, the goods of Tho. Gowland of Farndale to the value of £5. were taken by reason of a fine of £3. 5. set upon him upon the complaint of Will. Man, Officer of Excise, [154.] for and concerning the said Tho. Gowland's brewing a quantity of ale and not paying the Excise duty, and whereas the said Tho. Gowland hath appealed to the Court from the said warrant, and complained that he is not guilty of the said offence and made it appear that the ale by him brewed as aforesaid was only for the entertainment of his friends and not gain, and that he was not duly summoned to make his defence, and prayed that he might have restitution of his said goods: Ordered that the said Will., or the Constable of Gillamore in whose custody the said goods are, do forthwith restore the same, and the said warrant of the said Justices is hereby reversed.

THIRSK, October 6.

John Holland, a Nonconforming Minister preaching in Swaledale at the new house or chapel adjoining to Smarbar Hall, belonging to the Lord Wharton, did at these Sessions take the oaths mentioned in the Act for removing all questions concerning the assembling of this present Parliament, and did also make and subscribe the Declaration mentioned in the Act to prevent Papists from sitting in either House of Parliament, and likewise declare his approbation of and subscribe the Articles of Religion except the 34th, 35th, and 36th, and these words of the 20th Article, viz.—(the Church hath power to decree rites and ceremonies and authority in controversies of faith, &c.)

[155.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 14, 1691.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, Tho. Worsley, Roger Talbot, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—Three Hawkser yeomⁿ. for refusal to pay ass^{ts}.; a Whitby yeomⁿ. and his wife for placing a pair of stairs* in the highway; a Snainton woman for being a common disturber of the peace; a Marske woman for being accessory to a felony; four cases of riotous assembly; three cases of assault; three cases of illegal seizure; a case of stealing. [159.] Four bills ignored. [160^b.] Two prisoners tried: one acquitted and the other convicted.

[161.] ORDERS made etc.

Mr. Rob. Norrison, Mr. Henry Lisle, Mr. Ralph Boyes and Mr. Gideon Meggison to be Surv^{rs}. for Whitby Bridge, to take care that no person do damnify the same, and to present the names of all such persons as shall damnify the same to this Court; all inhab^{ts}. of Whitby whose habitations do adjoin upon Whitby Bridge to appear at the next Sessions and shew cause why they ought not to repair and maintain the said bridge, the decay thereof being occasioned by their eves dropping†; whereas it appears upon the petition of the inhab^{ts}. of the Constabulary of Hacknes that they are already much burthened with poor and that suddenly there is like a much greater charge to fall upon them and that the several Constableries of Suffield-cum-Everley,

* This presentment, which at first sounds somewhat mysterious, is in reality a very simple one when the necessary explanation is supplied. The expression "a pair of stairs" is sufficiently common and intelligible, even yet. But the "pair of stairs," or "flight of steps," in the presentment was simply an external staircase—external, that is, to the building to the upper part or parts of which it was designed to furnish access. Such external flights of steps, affixed to, or built into the end, or side-wall of the building in question, are by no means unusual objects in this district. There are two on the north wall of Danby Church, giving access to two different galleries in the church itself, through doors pierced in the walls of the edifice; and in point of fact they are to be seen all over the country. In the present case the offence was an "encroachment," either on the common, or on the land of some other owner—most likely the former—and as an encroachment, to be dealt with as encroachments always were: in the case of a Manor or Lordship wherein the Jurisdiction of Court Leet and Baron was still recognized, by an appeal to the officials of the said Court; in other cases by an appeal such as the present one.

† This is a curious entry, and requires more investigation than can be given on the spur of the moment, or perhaps admit of sufficient illustration in the compass of a foot-note.

Broxey, and Harwooddale-cum-Silpho, all within the parish of Hacknes aforesaid, have few or no poor people amongst them, and have not of late contributed anything towards the relief of the poor of Hacknes : Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. of the said several Constableries shall for the future contribute towards the relief of the poor of Hacknes, unless they shew cause etc. ; gratuities to two L. S^t. ; [161^b.] the house of Ralph Potter in Stoxley, and the two houses of Marke Lisle in Lackenby and Bousdale are certified to be set apart for meeting-houses.* Tho. Pennyman, W. Hustler.

[162.] BEEDALL.

Qu. Sessions by adjournment, at, July 21, 1691.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Chr. Wandesford, Sir Jonathan Jennings, Leon. Smelt, Rich. Peirse, John Hutton, Fr. Wyvill, and Anth. Wharton, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The inhab^{ts}. of Kirby Wiske for not repairing their stocks ; a Snape taylor for using the trade of a barber chyrurgeon without legal apprenticeship ; a Langthorne lab^r. for using the trade of a carpenter ; a case of assault ; a case of forcible entry ; six cases of non-repair of highways. [164.] Fifteen bills ignored.

[164^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Order in a bastardy case ; four Orders concerning the settlement or relief of poor persons.

[166.] THIRSK.

Qu. Sessions at, October 6, 1691.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Mark Milbanke, Sir Chr. Wandesford, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Will. Hustler, Sir Astrupus Danby, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Tho. Worsley, Tho. Langley, John Gibson, John Hill, jun^r., Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Rob. Walters, Rich. Darley, Fr. Wyvill, Anth. Wharton, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

* These repeated entries touching the setting apart of divers houses for the purposes of Nonconformist worship are of the greatest interest, and might well afford material serving to illustrate the aspects of religious liberty as it first presented itself for acceptance in our North Yorkshire district.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—Two yeomⁿ. for assault and illegal imprisonment; a Romanby yeomⁿ. for not repairing his fences; a case of riotous assembly and assault; two cases of assault; eleven cases of non-repair of highways; two cases of illegal seizure; a case of stealing; eighteen watercourses stopped. [176^b.] Two prisoners tried: one acquitted and one convicted.

[177.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thrs^r. to pay £10. for Cathericke Bridge, and £4. for Reeth Bridge; £10. to be estreated for reimbursing the Surv^r. for Wiske Bridge; the Thrs^r. for Richmondshire to pay a Cowton man 12s. 6d. as a gratuity for prosecuting a felon last Assizes at Yorke; whereas it was formerly Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. of the several Constableries within the parish of Hacknes should be united and jointly pay to the maintenance of the poor of the said parish, and the inhab^{ts}. of the Constabulary of Sufield-cum-Everley having satisfied the Court that above these thirty years by-past they have been separated from Hacknes and maintained their own poor: Ordered that all parties concerned upon notice hereof shall appear at the next Sessions to stand to and abide the determination of the Court; [177^b.] a *Cap. ad satisfac.* to be made out against Clement Peart for £7. 10. damages and costs expended by Toby Taylor in defending an information exhibited against him by the said Clement Peart; Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. of Sigston and Sowerby shall for the future separately and distinctly maintain their poor people and repair their highways; £35. to be estreated for the repair of Hemsley, Scawton, Tylehouse, Sinington, Ayton, and Thirske two bridges, and paid to Mr. Will. Warde; £30. to be estreated for the repair of Wath Bridge and Whitby Bridge and for making a watch-house upon the same; [178.] the Thrs^r. to pay unto John Wilson, gentⁿ., Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske, £10. 7. 3. allowed him by this Court upon his acc^{ts}. for repairing the said House and carrying prisoners to the Sessions and to Yorke Castle; the Thrs^r. to pay 30s. 6d. to Mr. Chr. Goulton due for exhibition money in the King's Bench and Marshalsey in the year Sir Chr. Wandesford was High Sheriff and which was then by him paid upon the same acc^t.; the new house adjoining to Smarbar Hall in Swaledale is certified to be set apart for a publicke meeting-house for Protestant Dissenters; a gratuity of 10s. to a Thirske man that formerly lived in a plentifull and good condition; 5s. to an old L. S.; Clement Peart of Great Broughton to be suppressed from keeping a common alehouse, and from selling ale and beer, and if he have a sign at his door he himself to pull or take it down upon notice hereof, to be given him by the

Constable of Great Broughton ; 20s. allowed for a loss by fire ; [178^b.] this Court taking notice of the great profanation of the Lord's Day, the too common practice of profane swearing and cursing, excess of drinking, and other disorders too much used and connived at in many places within this Riding, thinketh it their duty to restrain and prevent (so far as in them lyeth) the aforesaid scandalous offences by punishing the offenders therein as the laws direct : it is therefore this day Ordered that all C. C^s., Petty Constables, and Churchwardens, within these parts, do their parts diligently in putting the said laws in execution by informing the next J.P. of such as, having no lawful excuse, repair not to hear divine service at their parish churches, but profane the Lord's Day by sports and pastimes, by working on their ordinary callings, or by buying and selling, of such as profanely swear and curse, or use unlawful tippling and drinking in innes and alehouses, and of such as are guilty of being drunk or of any other disorder, and all persons are hereby desired to conform themselves to such wholesome laws as punish these and other offences, that so it may please the Almighty to keep from us His judgments which are abroad in other parts of the world : and the said C. C^s. are hereby ordered to send copies of this Order to the Churchwardens and Constables of every parish within these parts, to be by them communicated to their several Ministers, to whom it is recommended by this Court that they read this Order publicly in their churches, and also the Statute against profane swearing and cursing, twice in the year as the Statute itself directs, and that they admonish their parishioners to comply with this Order in keeping themselves clear from these and other offences : [179.] and it is further Ordered that copies hereof be sent by the said C. C^s. to the bailiffs of the weapentakes, hundreds, and liberties within this Riding, to be by them read or caused to be read in the several market towns within their weapentakes and limits upon the next market day in market time, and that then they affix the said Order in the said market town in the most open and fit place for view and reading : and this Court doth further Order that the Clerk of the Peace do forthwith cause this Order to be printed and distributed to the several C. C^s., who are to send the same to the several Petty Constables and Churchwardens as above directed, who are likewise Ordered to cause the same to be affixed upon the several church-doors and other public places within their several parishes, to the end that public notice may be taken thereof ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay 7s. 6d. as a gratuity to the prosecutors of a woman for felony. J. Gibson, John Hutton, Roger Talbot, John Wastell.

[180.] CASTLE OF YORK.

Qu. Sessions at, January 14, 169 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Before Tho. Worsley and Tho. Langley, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at RICHMOND, January 19.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Will. Bowes, Sir Astrupas Danby, Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Fr. Wyvill, and Anth. Wharton, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, at HEMSLEY, February 2.

Before John Gibson, John Hill, and Tho. Strangwayes, Esquires.

John Gill, Esq., High Sheriff: John Storzaker, gent.^{n.}, Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments:—The inhab^{ts.} of Borrowby and the inhab^{ts.} of Hornby-cum-Smeaton for refusal to pay ass^{ts.}; four persons of Brompton-on-Swale for stopping a footpath; a case of assault; a watercourse stopped; two cases of stealing. [182^{b.}] Two bills ignored. Two prisoners tried: one acquitted and one convicted.

[183.] ORDERS made at RICHMOND.

Chr. Marshall sworn C. C. for Hang East *vice* Simon Pickersgill; two men to have 20s. apeice paid them by the Thrs^r. for Richmondshire towards the great charge they have been at in finding out several persons that were common horse-stealers; the Levell House in Swaledale wherein Adam Barker inhabiteth is certified to be set apart for a meeting-place for Protestant Dissenters; Order in a bastardy case; [184.] the complaint of the inhab^{ts.} of Hunderthwaite against a gent^{n.} for his not paying his ass^{ts.} referred to two Justices; [184^{b.}] the Thr^r. for Richmondshire to pay unto Mr. Will. Jyanson 12s. 6d. by him disbursed upon a public account by Order of this Bench; upon due consideration of the disorder that doth and must necessarily attend the dispatch of business from every man's moving this Court in business of a public nature, and the prejudice they do themselves and causes thereby: Ordered that for the better dispatch of business nothing be moved in Court that is either of a parochial or Constabulary concern, or wherein any point of law or difficulty may arise, by any person but such who are belonging to the law if there be any present; Jas. Thornton of Beedall, gent^{n.}, licenced to keep a gun for the security of his house, and to ride with a sword for the defence of his person; forasmuch as a meeting of the Justices of this Riding and those of the county of Durham some time ago was at Yarome, and it was agreed betwixt the said Justices for and on behalf of the said Riding and county that the great pillar of Yarome Bridge which was then very ruinous should be repaired by the Justices of the said county, the

Justices of the North Riding advancing and paying them £50. [185.] accordingly the said Justices of Durham did contract with a free mason for the repair thereof, which he hath done to their satisfaction, and further stands bound to keep the same in repair by the space of seven years, and whereas there is a rent of about £8. per annum issuing out of some lands and houses at Yarome for the repair of the said bridge, this Court doth recom mend five Justices to contract and further agree with the said mason for the repair of the said bridge for such term of years and on such other conditions as they or any three of them shall in their judgment think fit; the Court being satisfied with the information of an Eastwood man taken before two Justices doth recommend it to the inhab^{ts}. of the weapentake where the robbery was committed, and doth desire and advise them to pay the said money without suffering an action at law to be brought against them; the Surv^{rs}. of the highways of Rookeby and Brignall to pay unto a mason 40s. for work done by him at Tuttey Bridge, it appearing to this Court that it is no country bridge, but ought to be repaired by the inhab^{ts}. Marm. Wyvill, Will. Bowes, A. Wharton, Fran. Wyvill, John Wastell.

[186.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 5, 1692.

Before Sir Bryan Stapylton, Sir Chr. Wandesford, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Jonathan Jenings, Sir Astrupus Danby, John Wastell, Chas. Tankred, Tho. Worsley, Tho. Langley, John Gibson, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Constable Bradshawe, Rich. Peirse, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

The Constable of Langthorpe for neglecting his office; two Kep-wicke yeomⁿ. for molesting the gamekeeper in the execution of his office; Will. Dinsley, common informer, for extortion under colour of his office; twenty-one men for keeping coney dogs; a Ripon lab^r. for hunting rabbits; three Whitby sailors for fastening their boats to the jewells of Whitby Bridge; seven cases of illegal seizure; a case of forgery; two cases of assault; two cases of non-repair of highways.
[191.] Nine bills ignored.

[191^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas it appears to this Court that Tho. Barber, Clerk, late Minister of Farlington, is fallen distracted and hath his benefice sequestered and taken away from him, by which he has become very chargeable to the said town, and he having several household goods and

books yet remaining : Ordered that the Overseers of Farlington take and seize the said goods and sell and dispose of the same to the best advantage for his use and benefit ; £25. to be estreated for Bense Bridge ; Orders in two bastardy cases ; the £20. per annum formerly Ordered to be paid by the Thrs^s. to Mr. Will. Warde of Gisbrough for surveying the public bridges within this Riding to be still continued and paid to him, he performing his said office of Surv^r. for bridges for the whole Riding ; [192.] whereas several disputes have been in this Court amongst the several Constableries within the parish of Hacknes whether they should pay jointly or separately to the maintenance of the poor of the said parish, for the settling of which disputes it was Ordered at Thirske Sessions, October 6, 1691, that all persons concerned should appear at the next Sessions to stand to and abide the Order of the Court, and the said several inhab^{ts}. of the several Constableries having appeared by their councell, and upon a full hearing no cause having been shewed why they should be united in their payments to the poor : Ordered that the said several Constableries shall pay separately to their respective poor until the next Sessions where, if sufficient cause be not shewed why they should be united, this Order shall be made absolute and confirmed for their separate payment for the future ; [192^b.] upon the complaint of the inhab^{ts}. of Newton, Linton, Aldwarke and Miton : Ordered that all Constables within this Riding shall for the future carry and convey all cripes and other passengers coming with any passes, or with whom they shall be otherwise charged, the next and directest way along the highroad from Constable to Constable from the place from whence they shall come to the place to which they are directed, without deviating or leaving such direct highroad, and all H. C^s. are Ordered to take copies and to disperse copies thereof to the Petty Constables within their respective hundreds that the same for the future may be duly and punctually observed and kept ; the Thrs^s. to pay £20. as a gratuity for the repair of Newby Bridge to Roger Talbot, Esq., who is to see the same carefully disbursed, provided the adjacent towns to the said bridge do first contribute and raise amongst them such further sum as the said bridge shall require : but if the said towns shall refuse to raise the same then the said Mr. Talbot is desired to return the said sum again into the Treasury ; [193.] £20. to be estreated for Maske Bridge ; £35. for Topcliffe Bridge ; £10 for Eshall Bridge ; £10. for Leeming and Howden Bridges ; the carriers travelling from Richmond to London and from London to Richmond not to take for any goods they carry betwixt the said places above 2d. per pound for every pound of goods they shall so carry, and for all goods they shall either take up or deliver short of either of the said places to make a proportionable abatement of

the said sum of 2*d.* per pound answerable to the length of the way they shall so carry them, and all carriers to have notice given them of this Order that they may duly observe the same ; [193^b.] the same rates of wages for servants and lab^rs. to stand for this year as they were appointed and settled by Order of this Court for the last year ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £8. 10. to Henry Frankland, Esq., Clerk of the Peace, for buying a Statute Book for this Court, and for reimbursing him other moneys expended upon account of the country's business ; £10. to be paid into the hands of Tho. Lascells, Esq., Mr. Rob. Raikes, and Will. Harrison by the Thr^{rs}. as a gratuity given them for providing carriages and forces for conveying their Majesties' forces* from hence-

* A brief retrospective view of affairs at home and abroad will afford the best and most explanatory comment on this entry and one or two which have preceded it in the records of earlier Sessions. William had been able, by the spring of 1689, to complete the Grand Alliance of the European Powers so as to "gird France in on every side save that of Switzerland with a ring of foes. Lewis was left without a single ally save the Turk" (Green, iv. 37). But "the Empire was slow to move ; the Court of Vienna was distracted with a war against the Turks ; Spain was all but powerless ; Holland and England were alone earnest in the struggle, and England could as yet give little aid in it. For the bulk of his forces William had as yet grave work to do at home. In England not a sword had been drawn for James. In Scotland his tyranny had been yet greater than in England, and, so far as the Lowlands went, the fall of his tyranny was as rapid and complete. No sooner had he called his troops southward to meet William's invasion than Edinburgh rose in revolt. The western peasants were at once up in arms ; and the Episcopalian clergy, who had been the instruments of the Stuart misgovernment ever since the Restoration, were rabbled and driven from their parsonages in every parish. The news of these disorders forced William to act, though he was without a show of legal authority over Scotland. On the advice of the Scotch Lords present in London he ventured to summon a Convention similar to that which had been summoned in England. . . . The Convention resolved that James had forfeited the crown by misgovernment, and offered it to William and Mary. The offer was accompanied by a Claim of Right. . . . Both crown and Claim were accepted, and the arrival of the Scotch regiments which William had brought from Holland gave strength to the new Government. Its strength was to be roughly tested. On the revolt of the capital, John Graham of Claverhouse, Viscount Dundee, withdrew with a few troopers from Edinburgh to the Highlands and appealed to the clans. In the Highlands nothing was known of English government or misgovernment : all that the Revolution meant to the Highlander was the restoration of the House of Argyle. To many of the clans it meant the restoration of lands which had been granted them on the Earl's attainder ; and the zeal of the Macdonalds, the Macleans, the Camerons, who were as ready to join Dundee in fighting the Campbells, and the Government which upheld the Campbells, as they had been ready to join Montrose in the same cause forty years before, was quickened by a reluctance to disgorge their spoil. They were soon in arms. William's Scotch regiments under General Mackay were sent to suppress the rising ; but as they climbed the pass of Killiecrankie, July 27th, Dundee charged them at the head of three thousand clansmen and swept them in headlong rout down the glen. His death in the moment of victory broke, however, the only bond which held the Highlanders together, and in a few weeks the host which had spread terror through the Lowlands melted helplessly away. In the next summer Mackay was

forward for the greater ease of the neighbouring towns, and the said gentⁿ. to give an acc^t. of the disposal of the said money to this Court. John Hutton, Roger Talbot, John Wastell, Tho. Langley, Richard Peirse.

[194^b.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 12, 1692.

Before Chas. Tankred, Tho. Worsley, and John Gibson, Esquires. And, by adjournment, July 26.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir. Will. Hustler, Chas. Tankred, Tho. Worsley, Tho. Strangewayes, Edw. Thompson, John Gibson, John Hill, jun^r, Rich. Darley, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

A Pockley man for scandalous words ; three Thirske persons for threats ; a Cornebrough gentⁿ. for refusal to pay ass^{ts}. ; the Constable of East Rownton for neglecting his office ; a Gisbrough gentⁿ. for seditious words : “ Never was so likely as now for a cobbler to be a king ” ; a case of illegal seizure ; five cases of non-repair of highways. [198.] Two bills ignored.

[198^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Rich. Kitchingman of Thirkelby, gentⁿ., to be C. C. for Birdforth vice John Bell, gentⁿ. ; whereas by certain articles bearing date February 28, 1690, it was agreed between the Justices of the county of Durham and the Justices of the North Riding on th' one part, and two maysons on th' other part, that the bridgemasters of Yarome Bridge should yearly for the term of one-and-twenty years, to commence from the 25th of March next ensuing the date of the said articles, pay £8. 5. per annum to the said masons or their assignes, in consideration whereof they did covenant and agree and oblige themselves, their executors, and administrators to repair and uphold the said Yarome Bridge during the said term of one-and-twenty years, as by the said articles and bonds thereupon remaining amongst the records of the said North Riding Sessions, relation being thereto had more at large, it doth and may appear : now this Court, as much as in them lies, doth confirm the said agreement made on the behalf of the said Riding as abovesaid about the said bridge ; [199.] Order in a bastardy case ; all the lands within the Constabulary of Ruswarpe to be only chargeable to the poor

able to build the strong post of Fort William in the very heart of the disaffected country, and his offers of money and pardon brought about the submission of the clans” (Ib. 38, 39). It was the movement of troops engaged in this Scottish campaign that gave occasion for this and the other minutes adverted to.

within the said Constabulary and not to any other poor in any other place ; [199^b.] this Court doth confirm a former Order made at Thirske, April 5th last, about the regulating the several Constabularies within the parish of Hacknesse in their payments to the poor of the said parish, none of the inhab^{ts}. appearing at these Sessions to object anything to the contrary ; forasmuch as, upon the complaint of a boy heretofore bound an apprentice to a Hewby bricklayer, the said master was bound by recog^{ce}. to appear at these Sessions, and it appearing to us that he has not instructed his said apprentice in the said trade as he ought to have done, being seldom employed in the said trade, we therefore, upon examination of the whole matter, and hearing what could be said on both sides, do, in pursuance of the power to us given by the Statute of 5 Elizth., discharge the said apprentice from his said apprenticeship, the said indenture, or any covenant, obligation, or other matter whatsoever to the contrary notwithstanding, and we do Order that the said bricklayer shall return back of the money he received with the said apprentice, and shall for the future be discharged from the performance of the covenants in the said indenture mentioned on his part to be performed : in witness whereof we four Justices have hereunto set our hands and seals at the said Sessions ; [200.] all such goods as a Middleton woman died seized on to be sold for the maintenance of her children. J. Gibson, Chas. Tancred.

[201.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, August 2, 1692.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Bryan Stapylton, Sir Mark Milbanke, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Will. Hustler, Sir Will. Bowes, Sir Astrupas Danby, Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Tho. Worsley, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Rob. Walters, Fr. Wyvill, and Anth. Wharton, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, August 11.

Before Rich. Peirse, Roger Talbot, and John Hopton, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, August 16.

Before Rich. Peirse and John Hopton, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Hudswell yeomⁿ. for keeping a mangy horse on the common pasture ; two cases of riotous assembly and assault ; two cases of forcible entry ; one highway not repaired ; two cases of stealing. [203^b.] Two prisoners tried : one acquitted and the other convicted.

[204.] ORDERS made etc.

£6. 12. 6. to be estreated for the paying and satisfying some masons for the work they have done at Dalton Bridge and in some other places ; the Court being informed that Burne Bridge, a country bridge, is in great decay, and that if care be speedily taken a small sum may do it, and a great charge be prevented, doth desire Sir Astrupus Danby to view the said bridge and set on workmen about the same, and what he shall disburse about his so doing shall be repaid him by the Thr^r. ; an Osmotherley woman supprest from selling ale or keeping a public alehouse for several disorders committed in her house ; the Thr^r. for Richmondshire to pay 40s. as a gratuity for Tuttey Bridge ; [204^b.] Rich. Kitchingman of Little Thirkelby sworn C. C. for Birdforth *vice* Mr. Bell ; Appleton Bridge, a private bridge which ought to be repaired by the inhab^{ts}. of the parishes of Great Smeaton and Welbury, being in great decay : two Justices desired to view the same and to make their report what sum will be sufficient for the repair thereof, that the Court may give such directions therein as they shall think fit ; whereas a drover of Kaber in Westmoreland upon Tuesday, May 24th last, was robbed by two persons to him unknown, and had taken from him by them £144. 7. at or near Ellerbecke in the hundred of Gilling West, and he having levied hue and cry and given information and made oath of the same before two Justices according to the Statutes etc., and having likewise made his application to this Court for their recommendation to the inhab^{ts}. of the said hundred for them to repay him the said sum without any further trouble, suite, or charges : and the Court being fully satisfied upon the examination of the said man and his witnesses that he was robbed and had taken from him the sum above-said doth therefore recommend it to the said inhab^{ts}. and doth advise and desire them to pay the said money without suffering an action at law to be brought against them, and we do further desire and advise the C. C^s. of the said hundred as soon as possibly they can after the receipt hereof to communicate the same to two or more of the chief inhab^{ts}. of the several towns and villages within the said hundred in order to advise and take speedy care to raise and pay the sum above-said by estreat or otherwise as they shall think convenient. Richard Peirse, John Wastell.

August 16.

Whereas it doth appear unto the Court that the Osmotherley woman who was supprest from selling ale the 2nd of this instant August hath brought another woman into the said town who only brews the ale which she sells in contempt of the said Order : Ordered that the said woman be also supprest from selling or brewing any ale, beer, or other

liquors, and the Constable of Osmotherley is to pull down her sign and give her notice hereof, of which she is likewise to take notice or otherwise she will be dealt withal according to law.

[206.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 4, 1692.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Bryan Stapylton, Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Will. Hustler, Sir Astrupus Danby, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Chas. Tankred, Edw. Thompson, John Gibson, John Hill, jun^r., Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, and John Hutton, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Four Pickering men for forcible entry and illegal seizure ; an Eryholme gent^r. for entering Slingsby Woods and killing rabbits ; a Baxtonhowe yeom^r. for forcible entry on the pinfold at Slingsby ; two cases of riotous assembly ; five cases of illegal seizure ; a case of stealing. [209.] Two bills ignored. One prisoner tried and convicted.

[209^b.] ORDERS made etc.

£12. 2. 6. to be estreated for reimbursing a free mason what he is out of purse for repairing Burne Bridge and Aisgarth Bridge ; the Thrs. to pay 30s. 6d. to John Storzaker for exhibition money in the King's Bench and Marshalsey in the year Henry Fairfax, Esq., was High Sheriff, and which was since paid by Jos. Bankes, gent^r., the present Under Sheriff, upon the same account ; whereas an agreement hath been made between the Justices of Durham and the Justices of this Riding about the repair of Yarome Bridge which is as followeth, viz.—August 19th 1690, it is this day agreed by the Justices of Durham and the North Riding concerning the repair of the middle pillar of Yarome Bridge as followeth :—That the Justices of the North Riding shall pay to the Thrs. for bridges for Durham £50. on Michaelmas Day next, which is to be employed together with what moneys is or shall be in the hands of the Wardens of the said bridge in the repair of the middle pillar of the said bridge [210.] which the Justices of Durham have in consideration thereof undertaken to repair, and uphold the same for seven years from henceforth, and that security be given for the support and upholding the said pillar for the term above-said to the satisfaction of Sir Will. Hustler and John Wastell, Esq., and that the said Justices for the said County and Riding do agree in an Order or otherwise endeavour to compell the said Bridgewardens to pay all such sums of money as are or shall be in the hands of or due

from the tenants at or upon St. Blases' Day next ensuing to the Thir^t. of Durham, except only one-half of the year's rent ending at St. Blases' Day next, which is to be employed as the Justices of the said Riding shall think fit where it is most necessary about the said bridge, to which agreement the several Justices following set their hands and seals, viz.—Rob^t. Edon, W. Hustler, Will. Bowes, Ly. Vane, Fr. Bowes, Jo. Wastell, Rob^t. Jennison : which agreement this Court doth Order to be ratified and confirmed; Order in a bastardy case; £12. to be estreated for the repair of Whitby Drawbridge; £4. for piling a flanke at Hemsley Bridge, and 40s. for repairing Thirkelby two bridges; [210^b.] 32s. 6d. allowed for a loss by fire; the Thir^s. to pay 32s. 6d. towards getting a Clapgate man a house, his house being driven down last winter with snow; Mr. Rob. Hutton of Newby Wiske to be C. C. for Gilling East *vice* Henry Stephenson; £12. 2. 4. to be estreated for Kilgram Bridge; £15. to be estreated as a gratuity for Appleton Bridge and the causeway leading from thence in the Constableries of Appleton and Welbury, being of great use and benefit to the country, and the inhab^{ts}. of the said Constableries to raise and contribute amongst them such further sum as shall be requisite for the further repairing the said bridge and highway, proportionably to the length of the said highway and causey as it lies within their respective Constableries, and the gratuity hereby granted to be no president for the future to charge the country either to the repair of the said bridge or causeway; [211.] no gratuity upon any account whatsoever to be given or granted but upon Wednesday in the Sessions week and in open Court; 22s. 6d. allowed for a loss by fire; whereas a Caldberg stapler upon the 8th of July last was robbed by two men and a woman to him unknown of £25. at or near Hunter Fleets in the hundred of Hang West, and he having levied hue and cry etc., the Court doth therefore recommend it to the inhab^{ts}. of the said hundred and advise them to pay the said money without suffering an action at law to be brought against them etc.; [211^b.] a gratuity of 5s. to a Thirske man; two men to be conveyed to the Castle of Yorke for non-payment of the fines imposed upon them upon their submission to the indictments preferred against them at these Sessions; Mr. Bell to pay 42s. 6d. as a gratuity to Mr. John Wilson of Thirske for the trouble and pains he hath taken as gamekeeper. Richard Peirse, John Wastell, Rich. Staines.

[212^b.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 10, 169 $\frac{2}{3}$.

Before Sir Will. Hustler, Chas. Tankred, Tho. Worsley, John Gibson, and John Hill, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Ambrose Pudsey, Esq.: John Storzaker, gentⁿ, Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments:—A case of riotous assembly and rescue of goods seized; a Terrington lab^r. for keeping dogs, nets, and ferrets; a Whorleton gentⁿ. for not repairing his fences; a case of forcible entry; eight cases of stealing. [215^b.] Four bills ignored. Seven prisoners tried: four convicted and three acquitted.

[216^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Mr. Will. Warde to survey Whitby Bridge and make his report at the next Sessions whether the drawbridge there can conveniently be made four foot wider for passage under the same, as also what damage the said bridge hath received by the tying of ships to the same, and whether there is a convenient place above the said bridge for making a peer or placing of dolphins for ships to ride and be fixed unto; the Traverse which Mr. Daniel Bolderoe was bound to prosecute at these Sessions to be respiteed and put off until the next Sessions, provided he then pay the late Constable of Sheriff Hutton all such charges as the Court shall then allow for his attending at these Sessions; Ordered that agents on both sides do at the next Assizes attend of two Justices for this Riding to the then Judges of Assize to crave their opinion upon such case or cases touching the assessing of the demesne lands of Mary Cholmley, widow, and Mr. John Cholmley, trustee of Nathaniel Cholmley, Esq., deceased, [217.] for the Constables, ass^{ts}. in the Constabulary of Hawske-cum-Staineker as shall be agreed on by Councell on both sides, and if it be determined by the Judges that the said demesne lands ought to pay towards Constable disbursements then it is likewise Ordered that the occupiers of the said demesne lands shall pay all such arrears as shall then be due and unpaid upon account of such Constable layes; a gratuity of 10s. to a poor woman; £20. to be estreated for repairing the highway upon Topcliffe Common, and the Surv^r. of highways there to give an acc^t. etc; £35. to be paid out of the Treasury for obtaining an Act of Parliament for settling the tolls at Borrowbridge upon the inhab^{ts}. of the West and North Ridings to Sir Will. Robinson and Tho. Frankland, Esq., or their Order upon this condition: that none be exempted from paying

the said tolls but the inhab^{ts.} of the said Ridings, which is hereby recommended to the next Sessions at Richmond. Chas. Tancred, J. Gibson, Tho. Worsley.

[213.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 17, 169 $\frac{2}{3}$.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, John Wastell, John Hutton, and Fr. Wyvill, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Whiteyside lab^{r.} for keeping a handgun and killing moorgame ; a Whiteyside lab^{r.} for encroaching on the common pasture ; the Constable of Reeth for neglecting his office ; the inhab^{ts.} of Romanby for non-payment of ass^{ts.} ; a highway out of repair ; a case of stealing. [220.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[220^{b.}] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas an Order was made the last Hemsley Sessions for raising and paying £35. out of the Treasury for procuring an Act of Parliament for taking away the tolls paid at Borrowbridge Bridge, which by the said Court was recommended to these Sessions : this Court doth comply to and Order the same to be confirmed ; Ordered, 1stly, That every Constable give notice to every householder within his Constabulary, upon peril of the penalty by law appointed, not to relieve vagrants begging out of their parish, but to carry them to the Constable, or to inform him of them forthwith that he may punish them or carry them to the next J.P. to be punished as the law directs : 2ndly, That the Constable give notice to all poor within his Constabulary who usually beg out of the parish,* or are suspected so to do, that they forbear so to wander and beg on pain of being punished etc. when and where they are so found : 3rdly, That they then also give notice to the Overseers of the poor to see their impotent and aged poor duly relieved, and that a convenient stock of flax, hemp, and wool, and other ware and stuff be provided towards the setting on work such as are able to work, but cannot otherwise find employment : 4thly, That watch be duly kept to apprehend vagrants, beggars, petty chapmen, and such as the law accounts vagrants, and that the watch bring such to the Constables to be punished by him or the next J.P. etc., [221.] and to turn back

* This Order is worth noticing, and especially in connection with the subject-matter of some former notes. Begging within the limits of the parish, under certain conditions, was permissible to the poor and incapable or infirm people therein dwelling.

suspected persons, or see them pass through the town without begging or unreasonably staying : 5thly, That the Constables render an acc^t. as often as required to the next J.P. of their due execution of this Order, and of the offenders so punished and apprehended by them, and that the Overseers meet monthly to consider for the providing for the poor : 6thly, That the Constables shall carry all begging vagrants to the next J.P. to be punished, or shall cause them to be whipt and sent by testimonial under his hand and seal, with the Minister's of the parish, or some of the inhab^{ts}. of the town, to the place of their birth or last legal settlement, testifying the time and place when and where the said vagrants were punished, and the place whereunto such persons are appointed to go, and in what time they are limited to pass thither at their perils : 7thly, That distressed seamen, soldiers, and lab^{rs}. going to work, and others having testimonial or pasport to travel within a limited time be not disturbed, punished, or forced before a J.P. whilst they pursue their licence or testimonial duly made and behave themselves in all things according to law : 8thly, That if any Constable shall neglect his duty in apprehending and punishing vagrants as aforesaid he must expect to be fined according to the severity of the law, as also if they neglect forthwith to set up stocks and whipping-posts sufficient for the aforesaid uses : 9thly and lastly, That the Clerk of the Peace send printed copies of this Order to the several C. C^s., by them to be dispersed to the Petty Constables, for which he shall be paid out of the Treasury ; [221^b.] a Brompton-on-Swale woman to have 5s. a quarter paid her out of the estate of her two sons at Brompton aforesaid :—Marm. Wyvill, Fr. Wyvill, John Wastell. The house of Tho. Routh at Kell in Swaledale is certified to be set apart for a place of religious worship ; and the house of Rob. Stainridge in Whitby ; [222.] Joseph Dawson, a Nonconforming Minister of Rathmell, did at these Sessions take the oaths mentioned in the Act for removing all questions etc., and did also make and subscribe the Declaration mentioned in the Act to prevent Papists etc., and likewise declare his approbation of and subscribe the Articles of Religion, except the 34th, 35th, 36th and these words of the 20th, viz. :—“ The Church hath power to decree rites and ceremonies, and authority in controversies of faith, and yet.”

[223.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 25, 1693.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Bryan Stapylton, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Chas. Tankred, Tho. Worsley, Edw. Thompson, Tho. Langley, John Gibson,

Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Rob. Walters, Rich. Darley, Fr. Wyvill, and John Smelt, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Two cases of riotous assembly and illegal seizure ; a case of assault ; a case of illegal seizure ; a New Malton gentⁿ. for speaking words in the praise and honour of James, late King of England ; a case of trespass with damage ; two cases of stealing. [226^b.] One bill ignored. [227.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[229.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas it appears to the Court that a Goatland man is a poor, old, lame, necessitous person, and is not able to work or take pains for a livelyhood, and that formerly he hath settled a good estate upon a Brotton man, his son, who is so unnatural to his said father as to deny to contribute anything to his relief : Ordered that the said son shall for the future pay unto the Overseers of Goatland 12d. per week for his said father, and in case of refusal etc. ; [229^b.] £3 10. to be estreated for Cover Bridge ; gratuities to three persons for loss by fire ; £10. to be paid as a gratuity for the repair of two bridges at Sheriff Hutton over the River Fosse, and for making them so that cart and carriage may pass over them ; the Thrs. to pay £12. to Mr. Henry Frankland for reimbursing his brother Tho. Frankland, Esq., such moneys as he hath laid out in and about the obtaining an Act of Parliament for taking away the toll taken at Borrowbridge Bridge ; all cripples and other passengers coming with passes and going northward to be carried from Shipton to Newton, and from thence to Tollerton, and from thence to Alne, and from thence to Flawith, and from thence to Helperby, and so back again when they go southwards, notwithstanding any Order heretofore formerly made to the contrary ; [230.] £30. to be estreated for repairing the County Court and Grand Jury House for Yorkshire ; the Thrs. to pay £6. 18. 6. to Mr. Henry Frankland, Clerk of the Peace, for moneys by him disbursed in buying several Acts of Parliament, and for moneys by him expended upon several other acc^{ts}., by Order of this Court ; £20. to be estreated for Morton Bridge ; gratuities to two L. S^s. ; whereas the inhab^{ts}. of Yarome have heretofore been and still are three times severally indicted for not repairing their highways, and three £10. fines have been imposed upon them, and estreats made out to the Bailiff of Langbarugh for levying the said fines : the said Bailiff to pay to the Surv^{rs}. of highways of Yarome the said three £10. fines by them to be employed for repairing the said highways, the said Bailiff first receiving the poundage money due to the Clerk of the Peace and himself according to the Statute ; [230^b.] a Grinton man to stand upon the pillory at Richmond

on Saturday next in open market for the space of an hour, being convict for stealing Sir Marm. Wyvill's deer ; £6. 13. 4. to be paid for the repair of Farlington Bridge ; £5. to be paid as a gratuity for erecting a bridge at Scutterskelfe ; the difference touching the ass^{ts}. within the Lordship of Cornbrough referred to two Justices ; whereas the Court is fully satisfied that the common highways, causeys, bridges, streets, and pavements in the township of Heworth cannot otherwise be sufficiently amended, repaired, paved, cleansed, and supported by means of the laws now in force, without the help of a late Act made in the third and fourth years of their Majesties' reign for the better repairing and amending the highways [231.] and for settling the rates of the carriage of goods : Ordered that an equal ass^t. of 3d. in the pound, for one year now next ensuing, shall be made, laid, collected and levied upon the inhab^{ts}, owners, or occupiers of lands, houses, tenements, hereditaments according to the true yearly value thereof, and 3d. for every £20. for one year on every personal estate usually ratable to the poor within the said townships according to the said late Act, and the money thereby raised to be employed for and towards the amending, etc. of the highways, etc. from time to time as need shall require, and accounted for according to the directions of the said late Act ; the like Order for 6d. per pound upon the inhab^{ts}. of Topcliffe ; whereas three men of Hawsker-cum-Stainseker were heretofore indicted for not paying their respective proportions of an ass^t. lawfully made by several inhab^{ts}. of the said Constabulary for raising moneys for defraying several public charges of the said Constabulary, to which indictment they have severally appeared and submitted themselves at Hemsley Sessions, January 10th last, but it was then agreed by and between the prosecutors of the said indictment and the parties indicted, or such as appeared on their behalf, that, in respect the lands upon which the said ass^t. was charged were demesne lands, and it being alleged on the behalf of the defendants that the said lands had not been at any time before charged towards the payment of such like ass^{ts}., but were always exempted and ought still so to continue : [231^b.] therefore for the satisfaction of the owners of the said lands it should be referred to the Judges of the then next Assizes, which Judges were attended by four Justices and the case stated and the Judges' opinion that the said lands ought to be contributory to all Constable ass^{ts}. as other lands are : Ordered that the said persons indicted shall appear etc. to receive the judgment of the Court, and that in the mean time the occupiers of the said demesne lands shall pay all such arrears as are by them unpaid of such ass^{ts}., and in default thereof a fine of £5. to be imposed on each of the said parties.
Tho. Langley, Fran. Wyvill, R. Darley.

[232^b.] NORTH ALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions at, July 11, 1693.

Before Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, John Gibson, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, Constable Bradshawe, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Bagby yeomⁿ. for refusal to pay ass^{ts}.; a Thirske man and two Carleton Myniot women for using the trade of tallow-chandlers without legal apprenticeship; a case of riotous assembly and assault; five cases of illegal seizure; two cases of stealing; one highway not repaired. [236.] One bill ignored. Two prisoners tried: one acquitted and the other convicted.

[236^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Order in a bastardy case; whereas the inhab^{ts}. of Kirke Leavington have stood indicted several years for not repairing their highways, and £13. is imposed upon them for repairing the same: Ordered that the said sum be estreated, and that the Bailiff of Langbarugh levy the same and pay it to the Surv^{rs}. of highways there for amending the same, deducting such money as is due to the Clerk of the Peace for estreating and his other fees, and to himself for levying the same; [237.] the Thr^{rs}. to pay unto Mr. Rob. Jackson £12. 15. formerly estreated, and by them received for repairing the County Court and Grand Jury House for Yorkshire, which he is to pay to Tho. Langley, Esq., or his Order; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £5. as a gratuity to Mr. Rob. Lightfoote for the good service he hath done the country in apprehending several clippers and coiners; a gratuity of 5s. to a man for conveying a prisoner to gaol. W. Hustler, W^m. Pennyman, C. Bradshaw, John Wastell. [237^b.] The Court being fully satisfied that the highways, etc. in the township of North Allerton cannot otherwise be sufficiently amended, etc. by means of the laws now in force without the help of the late Act for the better repairing the highways: Ordered that an equal ass^t. of 5d. in the pound for one year now next ensuing shall be made, etc. upon all the inhab^{ts}., etc. of lands, etc. according to the true yearly value thereof, and 5d. for every £20. on every personal estate usually rateable to the poor by the Surv^{rs}. of highways within the said township, and the money so raised shall be employed for repairing the said highways, etc.

[238.] BEEDALL.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 18, 1693.

Sir Marm. Wyvill, Leon. Smelt, Rich. Peirse, John Hutton, Tho. Pulleine, and Rob. Walters, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The Constable of Reeth for neglecting his office ; a Beedall man for not paying his servant's wages ; a case of illegal seizure ; a highway not repaired.

[239^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Ordered that after Michaelmas next the sum of £10., heretofore and as yet paid by the five weapentakes in Richmondshire to the Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske, be withdrawn, and that £12. be paid by the said five weapentakes for keeping a Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond, to such person as this Bench shall appoint Gov^r. of the same ; Mr. Warde, Surv^r. of bridges, together with the next adjoining Justices, to view the bridges of Masham, Deepdale, and Balder, and to set an estimate what will severally repair them (if they be country bridges), and to employ workmen to repair them forthwith, and the Clerk of the Peace to estreat such sum of money as the estimate shall amount to, that he shall receive from any J.P., that the said Mr. Warde or such other person as shall disburse money about the said bridges may be reimbursed, and a copy of this Order to be forthwith sent to the said Mr. Warde ; [240.] the differences amongst the freeholders and inhab^ts. of Easby and Marske touching their rates referred to three Justices ; all cripples and travellers coming with passes going Carlisle road to be conveyed from Brompton-upon-Swale to Skeeby, and all cripples and other persons travelling with passes and going Newcastle road to be conveyed from Brompton to Moulton. Marm. Wyvill, John Hutton, Ro. Walters, Tho. Pulleine.

[241.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 3, 1693.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, Chas. Tankred, Tho. Worsley, Tho. Langley, John Gibson, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Tho. Pulleine, Rob. Walters, Rich. Darley, Fr. Wyvill, Anth. Wharton, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—An Ayton yeomⁿ. for contempt of an Order ; the Constable of Aldbrough for neglecting his office ; two Kirby Fletheram yeomⁿ. for not assisting at the repair of the highways there ; two cases of assault ; a case of perjury ; three cases of riotous assembly and assault ; a case of illegal seizure.

[245.] ORDERS made etc.

One or more ass^t. or ass^{ts}. to be made upon the inhab^{ts}. of Clifton from time to time by the Surv^r. or Surv^{rs}. of highways within the said township, and the inhab^{ts}., or the major part thereof, or so many of them as upon reasonable notice thereof will be present at the making of such ass^{ts}., for the repairing the highways, etc. as need shall require, and to be from time to time accompted for at some Special Sessions in the wapentake of Bulmer, provided that no such ass^t. so to be made in any one year shall exceed the rate of 6d. in the pound of the yearly value of any lands, etc. so assessed, nor the rate of 6d. for any £20. in personal estate, and the said ass^{ts}. to be from time to time levied by distress and sale of the goods of every person so assessed not paying the same within ten days after demand ; [246.] the like orders for the towns of Yafforth in the wapentake of Gilling East, Hinderwell in the wapentake of Langbarugh, and New Malton in the wapentake of Rydale ; whereas this Court hath this day been informed upon oath that one Tho. Agar of Goatland doth frequently pull down their Majesties' proclamations when upon any occasion they are set up in publique places in the market town of Whitby, and otherwise misdemean himself against the present Government : these are therefore in their Majesties' names to charge and command you and every or any of you that if he shall at any time again offend so, that you or some of you do attach him and carry him before the next J.P. to be dealt with according to law : to the Constables of Goatland and Whitby, and to all other Constables, Bailiffs, and Officers within this Riding ; Stephen Kay of Allerston and Sam. Harding of Pickering to be C. C^s. for Pickering Lyth *vice* Ewstacius Casse, gentⁿ., and John Parke, gentⁿ., deceased ; [246^b.] Mr. Tho. Buckton of Marricke and Mr. Lyonell Mitchell of Boldron Northfeild to be C. C^s. for Gilling West *vice* Mr. Rob. Cowling and Mr. Fr. Weatherill ; John Wilkinson of Whitby to be C. C. for Whitby Strand *vice* Mr. Henry Lisle, or shew cause etc. ; £40. to be estreated for the repair of Kirby Misperton and other bridges ; £10. 18. 7. to be paid as a gratuity for Maske Bridge ; Marm. Theakston, jun^r., gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Hang West *vice* Mr. John Hutchinson ; [247.] Ordered that there shall be two Houses of Corrⁿ. for this Riding, viz.—one at Thirske and the other at Richmond,

and that there shall be yearly estreated £36. for the Governors' wages there, viz.—£26. to Thirske, and £10. to Richmond, and that the Justices may send prisoners to either of the said Ho^s. of Corrⁿ. as they think fit and for the best convenience of the country ; whereas it was formerly Ordered that £15. should be paid as a gratuity for the repair of Appleton Bridge and the cawsey leading from thence, and that the Constableries of Appleton and Welbury should be at the remainder of the charge, [247^b.] and uphold the same for the future, but it appearing that no part of Welbury is chargeable to the same except the Grange, and yet, notwithstanding, the other inhab^{ts}. of Welbury are willing to contribute 50s. towards the said work : Ordered that for the future the inhab^{ts}. of Appleton and of Welbury Grange repair the said bridge and cawsey separately and that the moneys now paid by the rest of the Constablery of Welbury shall be no president against them nor oblige them to repair the said bridge or cawsey for the future ; Sir Will. Hustler and Rich. Peirse, Esq., to be impowered to exchange some lands adjoining upon the way leading to Appleton Bridge for lying to the said highway and amending the same ; the house of Geo. Jackson in Thirske where Will. Fisher lives, and the barn of Will. Rainforth in the lordship of Sowerby, called the Bell-house, are certified to be set apart for divine worship. Marm. Wyvill, John Hutton, John Wastell.

[248^b.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 9, 1694.

Before Sir Will. Hustler, John Gibson, John Hill, jun^r., Tho. Strangeways, and John Smelt, Esquires.

High Sheriff Chas. Tankred, Esq. ; John Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—Two Castleton men and a Commandale man for rescue of a prisoner ; a Newbrough yeomⁿ. for not paying his servant's wages ; a Pickering yeomⁿ. for forging a warrant ; a Great Ayton yeomⁿ. for seditious words : “ This King William has ruined us all ” ; two Thornton yeomⁿ. for entering a warren and killing rabbits ; two cases of non-repair of highways.

[251.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas it appears that the inhab^{ts}. of Yarome cannot repair their highways by common days' workes pursuant to the ancient Statutes : Ordered that the Overseers of highways for Yarome shall make an ass^t.

upon each respective person for the lands they are owners and occupiers of, so the said ass^t. shall not exceed 6d. in the pound ; [251^b.] Henry Woodhouse of Wrelton to be C. C. for the West Division of Pickering Lyth *vice* Ewstacius Casse, gentⁿ.; and Rich. Sawden of Ebberston to be C. C. for the East Division of Pickering Lyth *vice* Ewstacius Casse, gentⁿ.; whereas it appears that the town of Lyth is very much burthened with poor people : Ordered that the townships of Barnby, Ellerby, Newton, Borrowby, Ugthorpe, Mickleby, and Hutton Mulgrave, all within the said parish, contribute to the relief of the poor of Lyth aforesaid ; [252.] the inhab^{ts}. of the Constabulary of Ugthorpe to be assessed according to pound rent unless they appear and shew cause etc. ; Order in a bastardy case. J. Gibson, T. Strangwayes, J. Hill.

[253.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 16, 169³.

Before Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, John Hutton, Rob. Walters, and Fr. Wyvill, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The Constable of Mewker for neglecting his office ; a Yarome woman for keeping a measure not equal to the standard ; four men of Stanwicke-cum-Carleton for illegal imprisonment ; a man and two women for assault on the Deputy Bailiff and rescue of a prisoner ; a case of illegal seizure ; a case of assault ; a highway not repaired. [255^b.] One bill ignored.

[256.] ORDERS made etc.

The Surv^r. for Cathericke Bridge having satisfied the Court about the disbursement of the sums of £20. and £10. granted by two former Orders for the repair of the said bridge : this Court doth acquit and discharge him thereof and return him thanks for his care and pains ; Tho. Buckton of Marricke, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Gilling West *vice* Rob. Cowling, gentⁿ.; Chas. Whitehead of Gilmanby Hall and Matthias Hawnby of Brignall Mooreside to appear at the next Sessions that one of them be appointed to succeed Mr. Fr. Weatherill as C. C. for Gilling West ; the like Order for Will. Walker of Cowton and Will. Stockton of Middleton, one of them to succeed Marm. Hartley as C. C. for Gilling East ; [256^b.] whereas it was Ordered at last Beedall Sessions that all cripples and travellers coming with passes going Carlisle road should be conveyed from Brompton-on-Swale to Skeeby, and all cripples etc. going Newcastle road from Brompton to Moulton, and all

persons concerned in the said several places having made their appeal : Ordered upon a full hearing that the said former Order be ratified and confirmed ; whereas a Cundall yeomⁿ. on the 6th of January last was robbed of £33. at or near Gilbecke, and he having levied hue and cry etc. : this Court doth recommend it to the inhab^{ts}. of the weapentake of Hang West to pay the said money without suffering an action at law, etc. ; [257.] the antient rent by which all ass^{ts}. of every particular farm etc. in the Constabulary of Easby-cum-Aske are directed by the Justices to be assessed by as followeth :—

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
The inhab ^{ts} . of Aske	17	0	0	Long Moores . .	4	5	0
St. Trinians . . .	5	0	0	Wrong Acres . . .	15	0	
Green Close Farme .	2	10	0	Mr. Smith's Lands . .	1	0	0
Mr. Place's Farme .	11	6	8	Harrison's House . .	1	8	
Mr. Wyvill's Farme .	7	6		Mr. Blackburne's Lands	1	3	
Ra. Harrison's Farnie	7	6		Mr. Greenwood's Tithe	7	6	
Mr. Smith's Farme .	17	6					
Mr. Heardson's Farme	2	6					
Wath Coate . . .	4	17	11				
					£39	0	0

Ordered that all persons concerned with the Constabulary of Easby-cum-Aske for the lands and tithes within mentioned in all ass^{ts}., etc. shall pay according to the within-mentioned proportions ; an ass^t. to be made upon the inhab^{ts}. of Romanby by the Surv^{rs}. for highways for the said township for repairing the highways, etc. according to the Act of 3 & 4 William and Mary ; the houses of Anne Kipling of Bowes, and Jas. Raine of Stoneykell are set apart for the religious worship of God by the people called Quakers. John Wastell, John Hutton.

[VOL. A¹⁸. 1.] THIRSK.

Qu. Sessions at, April 17, 1694.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, Thos. Worsley, Edw. Thompson, Tho. Langley, John Gibson, John Hill, jun^r, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Fr. Wyvill, and John Smelt, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Thirsk mercer for obtaining sums of money from several persons with the intention of making unlawful gain ; two cases of assault ; two cases of illegal seizure ; two cases of trespass with damage ; a case of stealing ; a watercourse not scoured ; five

persons of Appleton Wiske for not assisting in the repair of the highway. [5] One prisoner tried and convicted.

[5^b.] ORDERS made etc.

£30. to be estreated upon the inhab'ts. of Great Smeaton for repairing their highways ; Rich. Sawden and Henry Woodhouse sworn C. C's. for Pickering Lyth ; Will. Walker sworn C. C. for Gilling East ; the Thir^{rs}. to pay 52s. 6d. to Mr. Rob. Jackson for paying Mr. Edw. Hornby such moneys as are due and in arrear to him since he was solicitor for this Riding at Lancaster Assizes about Yarome Bridge ; £8. allowed for a loss by fire ; a Hawnby man to be suppressed from keeping an alehouse, and neither he nor any for him to sell ale in Hawnby or elsewhere until this Court Order the contrary ; [6.] the Thir^{rs}. to pay £5. as a gratuity for amending the highway leading towards the city of Yorke and for making a little bridge in the said high road, the Constabulary of Huntington to be at the rest of the charge ; a gratuity to a L. S. ; £30. to be estreated for the repair of Whitby and other bridges ; £50. to be paid to the inhab'ts. of Yorke that have been sufferers in the late dreadful fire* ; the dispute betwixt the inhab'ts. of Thirske and the inhab'ts. of Kepwicke about the settlement of a poor man referred to the next Assizes ; [6^b.] Ordered that the great loss sustained by several of the inhab'ts. of Yorke by fire be recommended by this Court to all well-disposed persons in this Riding, and that all Ministers and Churchwardens be desired to be assistant to the sufferers in receiving such charity as any well-disposed person shall think fit to give ; forasmuch as it appears that part of the King's highway in the township of Appleton Wiske, adjoining upon a parcel of ground belonging to one John Talboyes was so much out of repair that the same could not be made passable without very great charge and continued expense,† whereupon the Surv^{rs}. of the highways of

* So far, I am unable to obtain any information from local history or chronicle as to this fire, which, from the way in which it is mentioned here, and in the Order touching a brief a little below, must have been of the most serious, not to say calamitous, nature. In Drake's general history of the city, after dwelling at considerable length on matters of historical interest transpiring in 1688, the narrative passes on with a leap to a period later by nearly half a century. Still, there may be some record preserved in York itself, and should inquiry prove it to be so, some notice may be given hereafter in the Appendix.

† It is not easy, accustomed as we are in the present generation to good and well-kept highways, even in remote country townships, to realize the meaning and force of such an entry as this. In speaking of the roads of mediæval England, M. Jusserand says, "Where negligence began, the ruts, or rather the quags, began. Those numerous little subterranean arches, which the foot-passenger now does not even notice, with the purpose of carrying off brooks dry during a part of the year, did not exist then, and the brook flowed through the road. . . . In the East, a road is

Appleton did by consent of the said John Talboyes assigne and lay out part of his ground adjoining upon the same way and agreed amongst themselves that the same ground as it is now laid out and fenced should be for ever used for the King's highway, and that in

often nothing else than a place along which men customarily pass ; it little resembles the irreproachable highways the idea of which the word 'road' evokes in our minds. During the rainy season immense pools of water cut off the usual track ; they increase by little and little, and at length overflow and form streams. . . . The roads of the Middle Ages sometimes were like those of the modern East. . . . True there were roads provided that were considered sufficient for the current needs ; but in those days people were contented with little. The carts and even the carriages were heavy, lumbering, but solid machines, which stood the hardest jolts. People of any worth journeyed on horseback. All those who travelled on foot were used to all sorts of misery. Little then sufficed ; and if other proofs were wanting of the state into which the roads were liable to fall, even in the most frequented places, they are to be found in the old Patent Rolls, and other public documents. . . . But what helps us to understand the difficulty of journeys in the bad weather better than ordinances, and enables us to picture the flooded roads like those of the East in the rainy season, is the fact declared in official documents of the impossibility that existed formerly of responding to the most important royal summons. Thus, for example, we see the bulk of the members called to Parliament from all parts of England fail at the appointed day, without the delay being attributable to any other cause than the state of the roads. . . . In short, though there were roads, though property was burdened with obligatory services for their support, though laws from time to time recalled their obligations to the possessors of the soil, though the private interest of lords and of the Church, in addition to the interest of the public, gave occasion to reparation now and then, still the fate of the traveller was very precarious in bad weather. The roads stretched away from the towns, and plunged into the country, but they were interrupted by the brooks, and scattered full of holes." But in all this the author, wonderfully observant as he is, and marvellously conversant, albeit a foreigner, with his English subject and its ramifications, omits to direct the regard that is required to one very material point. It is true he cites a definition of a road as "a place along which men customarily pass," but he fails to notice that these tracks could but follow the line of country necessarily indicated by their destination, taking the country as they found it. And the country was undrained, and keeping along the sound ground as much as it was possible to do, still the valleys and depressions or slacks had to be traversed, and the treacherous half-boggy parts to be crossed as well as the gravelly banks and firmer deposits of the fields at a higher elevation. And it is here that such entries as the one before us come in, ready to throw and to receive a flood of illustration. There are, within a few miles of the house in which this is written, a large number of "places along which men customarily pass," short cuts across the moor or common, over and along which I have repeatedly driven in dogcart, and even sometimes in heavy phaeton, such that, safe and expeditious as it was to do so in the dry time of the year, still, had thefeat been attempted during the damper and longer half of the year, "getting bogged" would have been the inevitable result. But not only so, the very causeways, "pannier-man's causeys," or flagged roadways—the old highways of the late mediæval period, stretching across the country from one centre to another—all of them had, in some part or another of the lines they followed, soft and boggy places at which the paved way itself came to periodical grief, as well as exposed the traveller to mischance by their failure. Within a mile south west of this house is a place where the old flagged causey between all or most of Cleveland, from Staithes to Redcar, and Kirkby Moor-

lieu thereof the said John Talboyes and his heirs should have and enjoy the ground where the old way laid, and further should have and receive in full satisfaction of the exchange aforesaid 40s. which accordingly the said Surv^{rs}. have paid to the said John Talboyes: this Court therefore so far as in them lyeth doth approve of and confirm the said agreement and doth Order the same to be entered upon the rolls of this Sessions. Marma. Wyvill, J. Gibson, Roger Talbot, Rich. Staines.

[8.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 10, 1694.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, Constable Bradshawe, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

And, by adjournment, August 14.

Before Sir Henry Marwood, Sir Tho. Pennyman, John Gibson, Constable Bradshawe, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presents:—Three farmers for selling butter under weight; four coopers for making butter firkins weighing more than 8 lbs. which could not contain 56 lbs. of butter; a Thirske mercer for receiving money in exchange amounting in all to £50. and giving for it more than the current value, viz.—21s. 6d. for a pound; a watercourse not scoured.

[11.] ORDERS made etc.

An ass^t. to be made upon the inhab^{ts}. of Normanby by the Surv^{rs}. for highways there and the money thereby raised to be employed in repairing the highways, cawseys, etc. within the said township, and no such ass^t. to exceed the rate of 6d. in the pound for any lands, houses, etc. nor the rate of 6d. for any £20. in personal estate; [11^b.] whereas it was Ordered at Hemsley Sessions, January 9, 169³/₄, that the inhab^{ts}. of the Constabulary of Ugthorpe should pay and be assessed according to pound rent for the future unless they should shew cause etc., and oath having been here made that the said inhab^{ts}. of Ug-

side used to run along the side of a steep hill 600 or 700 feet above the sea, and at which, from the nature of the subsoil—the accretions from the slow dribblings of hill-side oozings through many ages, in their hindered downward flow—the solid flags of the causey wontedly sunk year by year; and the case was precisely parallel to that of the text: “it could not be made passable without great charge and continued expence.” The ratepayers of the first decade of the present century took that “bull by the horns” by holding a parish-meeting on the spot, and deciding then and there that they would do away with the old flags entirely, and replace them with a good and firm roadway, which was duly done, and with a track which became the first bit of modern road constructed in the parish.

thorpe were served with the Order and they having made no defence to the contrary at these Sessions : Ordered that the said former Order be confirmed ; the Constabulary of Barwicke in the parish of Stainton to be assessed and contribute towards the maintenance of the poor of the Constabulary of Stainton, the said Constabulary being overburthened with poor ; a Marton woman, being of sufficient ability, to pay 12*d.* weekly towards the maintenance of her mother, upon pain of forfeiting 20*s.* for every month she shall fail herein, unless she shew cause etc.

[12^b.] BEEDALL.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, August 21, 1694.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Astrupus Danby, Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Fr. Wyvill, and John Smelt, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The Constable of Knayton for neglecting his office ; a woman for stealing, and her husband as accessory ; a case of illegal seizure ; a watercourse not scoured. [14^b.] Two prisoners tried : one convicted and one acquitted.

[15.] ORDERS made etc.

Orders in three cases of settlement of poor persons : Ordered that an Order recommendatory be made to the inhab'ts. of the weapentake of Hang West for paying a man £20. for reimbursing him the moneys he was robbed of within the said weapentake, as also for his charges he hath been at in and about the same. Marm. Wyvill, John Wastell, John Hutton. [16.] John Taylor, a Nonconforming Minister, preaching in Swaledale at the new house or chappell adjoining to Smarbar Hall belonging to the Lord Wharton, did, at these Sessions, take the oaths mentioned in the Act for preventing and removing all questions etc. concerning the assembling of this present Parliament, and did also make and subscribe the Declaration mentioned in the Act to prevent Papists from sitting in either House of Parliament, and declare his approbation of and subscribe the Articles of Religion except the 34th, 35th, and 36th, and these words of the 20th, viz.—the Church hath power to decree rites and ceremonies and authority in controversies of faith, and yet.

[17.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 2, 1694.

Before Sir Will. Robinson, Rich. Peirse, Tho. Langley, Rich Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, and Rich. Darley, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A Thirske weaver for receiving money and giving in exchange more than the current value ; two gentⁿ. of Skipton-on-Swale for refusal to pay ass^{ts}. ; two Kirby Fletheram yeomⁿ. for not sending their teams for the repair of the highway ; a clerk of North Otterington for refusal to pay ass^{ts}. ; two watercourses stopped ; two cases of illegal seizure ; a case of forcible entry ; a case of forcible entry and illegal seizure ; two cases of stealing. [21^b.] One prisoner tried and convicted.

[22.] ORDERS made etc.

An ass^t. to be made upon the inhab^{ts}. of Whitby by the Surv^{rs}. for highways within the said parish from time to time, and the money thereby raised to be employed for the repairing the highways, etc. in the said parish, and no such ass^t. to exceed the rate of 6d. in the pound of the yearly value of any lands, houses, etc. so assessed nor the rate of 6d. for any £20. in personal estate ; [22^b.] an East Rownton man, who is an able* man and in a very plentiful condition to live, to maintain and keep his widowed daughter and her three small children ; whereas by an Act made this last Sessions of Parliament intituled an Act for punishing officers and soldiers who shall mutiny or desert their Majesties' service, and for punishing false musters, it was enacted that officers and soldiers quartered and billeted according to the directions of the said Act shall pay such reasonable prices as shall be appointed from time to time by the Justices in their Quarter Sessions of each county, city, division or place within their respective jurisdictions, and the Justices aforesaid are hereby impowered and required by the said Act to set and appoint such reasonable rates for all necessary provisions for such officers and soldiers for one or more nights in their marching through their cities, towns, villages, and other places, and for the first night only in such places as shall be appointed for their residence or quarters : it is hereby Ordered by this Court that each trooper within this Riding shall pay for his own meat for each night, 6d., [23.] and for hay and straw for his horse for the same, 6d., and that each dragoon shall pay for his own meat 4d., and for hay

* Substantial, well-to-do. A word which, in the form "yabble," I used to hear perpetually thirty years ago, and which is by no means obsolete even yet.

and straw for his horse, 4*d.*, and for every peck of oats, 4*d.*; and that each foot-soldier shall pay for his own meat, 4*d.*, for every quart of ale or strong beer, 2*d.*: and that all officers shall pay for every peck of oats, 4*d.*, and for every peck of beans, 6*d.*, which said measure of corn is to be according to the Statute, and so proportionably for a greater or lesser measure in their respective quarters as aforesaid; the Thrs. to pay £1. 10. 6. to Mr. Chr. Goulton, the present Under Sheriff, for exhibition money by him paid in the King's Bench and Marshalsey; [23^{b.}] £3. allowed for loss by fire; £40. to be estreated for the repair of Borrowbridge, Dalton, Normanby, and Tilehouse Bridges; a gratuity of 5*s.* to a poor man. Will. Robinson, Roger Talbot, Richard Peirse, Tho. Langley.

[24^{b.}] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 15, 169 $\frac{4}{5}$.

Before Sir Will. Hustler, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, John Gibson, and Will. Pennymen, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Ingleby Daniel, Esq.: John Storzaker, Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments:—A case of assault; three cases of stealing. [25^{b.}] Nine bills ignored. [26.] Four prisoners tried: three convicted and one acquitted.

[26^{b.}] ORDERS made etc.

Two Filingdales men to pay 12*d.* weekly for the relief of their mother; the Deputy Bailiff of Langbarugh to pay the £10. by him levied of the inhab'ts. of Marton for not repairing their highways to the Surv'rs. of the highways of Marton aforesaid, to be employed in the repair of the highways for which they stand indicted.

[27^{b.}] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 22, 169 $\frac{4}{5}$.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, John Wastell, John Hutton, and Fr. Wyvill, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A Newsham lab'r. for keeping nets to catch partridges; a watercourse not scoured; a case of stealing. [28^{b.}] A bill ignored. A prisoner tried and convicted.

[29.] ORDERS made etc.

John Lownesdale, gent^{n.}, sworn C. C. of Gilling East *vice* Rob. Hutton, gent^{n.}, deceased; whereas complaint hath been made by the

inhab^{ts}. of Little Smeaton that they are put to great inconveniency for want of a Constable in the town of Great Smeaton to receive their cripes: Ordered that the said township of Great Smeaton do provide a sufficient Constable within the said town to perform and execute the said office; [29^b.] whereas a Stainton man was robbed of £9. 15. in the King's highway between Ellerton and Stainton in the hundred of Hang West, and levied hue and cry etc.: this Court doth recommend it to the inhab^{ts}. of the said hundred to pay the said money without suffering an action at law to be brought against them etc.; [30.] the Thrs. to pay 40s. to Mr. Tho. Story for going to the several Justices to get the address signed.* Marm Wyvill, John Hutton, John Wastell.

* It is not easy to affirm what the address here mentioned actually was, to whom it was to be presented, or on what occasion. It is true the Queen had recently died; in fact, barely a month before. And it would not be a violent surmise that the address may have been connected with that event. But, apart from speculation on such a topic, there were other matters in the contemporary history of the country of such interest as, if not to account for the address of the text, yet still to justify our turning aside for a moment to glance at them. A great financial measure had but just been inaugurated, such as had at once "relieved the pressure of taxation and added strength to the new monarchy. The war [with France] could be kept up only by loans: and loans were still raised in England by personal appeal to a few London goldsmiths in whose hands men placed money for investment. But the bankruptcies which followed the closing of the Exchequer by the Cabal had shaken public confidence in the goldsmiths, while the dread of a restoration of James made these capitalists seem shy of the Ministers' appeals for aid. Money therefore could only be raised in scanty quantities and at a heavy loss. In this emergency Montague, who was fast making a reputation as the ablest of English financiers, came forward with a plan, which had been previously suggested by a Scotchman, William Paterson, for the creation of a National Bank such as already existed in Holland and in Genoa. While serving as an ordinary bank for the supply of capital to commercial enterprises, the Bank of England, as the new institution was called, was in reality an instrument for procuring loans from the people at large by the formal pledge of the state to repay the money advanced on the demand of the lender. For this purpose a loan of £1,200,000 was thrown open to public subscription; and the subscribers to it were formed into a chartered company in whose hands the negotiation of all loans was placed. The plan turned out a perfect success. In ten days the list of subscribers was full. A new source of power revealed itself in this discovery of the resources afforded by the national credit and the national wealth; and the rapid growth of the National Debt, as the mass of these loans to the state came to be called, gave a new security against the return of the Stuarts, whose first work would have been the repudiation of the claims of the lenders, or, as they were termed, the 'fundholders.' The evidence of the public credit gave strength to William abroad as at home. . . . The brighter aspect of affairs abroad coincided with a new unity of action at home. . . . One by one the Tory Ministers had been replaced by members of the Junto. . . . Even before the change was completed its effect was felt. The House of Commons took a new tone. The Whig majority of its members, united and disciplined, moved quietly under the direction of their natural leaders, the Whig Ministers of the Crown. It was this which enabled William to face the shock which was given to his position by the death of Queen Mary at the end of 1694." [Green, iv. 62.] The phrase recurs below.

[31.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 2, 1695.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Bryan Stapylton, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Will. Hustler, Sir Astrupus Danby, Rich. Peirse, Chas. Tancred, John Gibson, John Hill, jun^r., Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Rich. Darley, Will. Pennyman, and John Smelt, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A Thirske mercer for assault on the Constable in the execution of his office; the inhab^{ts}. of Norton Conyers for not paying bridge money; a Thirske mercer for receiving 40s. of broad and large money with the intention of making unlawful gain, and giving in exchange more than the current value, viz.—43s.*; two cases of illegal

* We have already had like entries to the present one on several previous occasions, and a word or two of comment will not be superfluous. Towards the close of the year in which the present Sessions were held, a new Parliament was summoned, and among other matters recorded in connection with its doings, and besides its independence of action, is the fact that there was no factious opposition, and that its support was so loyal that Montague, at the head of the Ministry, was “enabled to face the general distress which was caused for the moment by the reform of the currency, which had been reduced by clipping to far less than its nominal value.” The financial difficulties created by the currency reform were indeed very considerable; but the necessity for some such measure as the recoinage, in the latter part of King William’s reign, was, in reality, more considerable still. “At that period silver constituted the English standard of value, and to such an extent had the silver currency been debased by clipping, filing, &c., that in 1695 the common price of silver bullion was 6s. 5d. per ounce, or 1s. 3d. above the Mint price. A guinea then passed current for about 30s. That this degraded state of the coin raised the price of every other commodity as well as bullion might be concluded for certain, even if no direct evidence of the fact had been transmitted to us. Mr. Lowndes, however, in his Report on the state of the silver coin in 1695, mentions its degradation as ‘one great cause of the raising the price, not only of all merchandises, but of every article necessary for the sustenance of the common people, to their great grievance.’ . . . The medium rise in the price of undepreciated gold coin, and of silver bullion, compared with the clipped and degraded coin, appears, from the statements of Locke and Lowndes, to have rather exceeded 30 per cent. And it is of importance to remark that, in 1700, the year in which the new coin came into general circulation, the market price of corn, which had previously been rising, declined to very near the same extent” (*Encycl. Brit.*, vii. 378). The mention of “broad and large money” should also be noted. The “recoinage” referred to above was effected under the authority of the Act 7 & 8 Will. III. c. 1, for improving the coinage, the sum of £1,200,000 being raised by a house-duty to defray the expense of withdrawing the clipped coin. Evelyn, in his Diary (June, 1694), remarks that “many were executed at London for clipping money, now done to that intolerable extent, that there was hardly any money that was worth above half the nominal value” [*Annals of England*, p. 516]. This, it is apparent from the foregoing, is somewhat exaggerated.

seizure ; a case of forcible entry and assault ; two cases of stealing ; a highway out of repair ; a watercourse not scoured.

[34.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thirske to pay 30s. 6d. to Mr. Henry Washington, late Under Sheriff to Ambrose Pudsey, Esq., High Sheriff, for exhibition money by him paid to the King's Bench and Marshalsey ; two Justices to view the highway leading from York to Huntington, and thence to Kirbymooreside, in what state and condition it is, and who are liable to repair the same and to make their report etc. ; £40. to be estreated for the repair of Morton and Howden Bridges ; the Thirske to pay 32s. 6d. to a Great Crakall man as a gratuity for reimbursing him what he is out of purse for apprehending a man suspected for a coiner, and for prosecuting the King's evidence against him the last Assizes ; [34^b.] £10. to be estreated for the repair of Howe Bridge ; [35.] whereas it was formerly Ordered that £36. should be yearly paid throughout this Riding, viz.—£26. to the Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske, and £10. to the Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond : Ordered that for the future £30. *per annum* be only paid, viz.—£20. to the Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske, and £10. to the Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond : Ordered that Anne Sigsworth and her son be discharged from the office of Constable for the town of Great Smeaton, and that Rob. Glover of the same appear before some J.P. to be sworn Constable for the said town, and the inhab^ts. of Great Smeaton to pay unto the said Anne Sigsworth such money as she shall fairly make appear she hath disbursed for the said town ; [35^b.] £2. 2. 6. allowed for a loss by fire ; it appearing to this Court that Fr. Weddylove of Tollerton is summoned as a Grand Juryman by the Bailiff of Bulmer, and that his estate is not sufficient to make him liable to serve : Ordered that for the future he be discharged from serving as a Grand Juryman ; Mem. that it was certified by two Justices at these Sessions that John Tempest, Esq., an officer of his Majesty's Customs in this Riding, in pursuance of an Act of Parliament entitled an Act for granting to their Majesties a subsidy of tunnage and poundage and other sums of money payable upon merchandizes exported and imported, did, upon March 22 last, appear before them and took the oath mentioned and directed in and by the said Act ; Rich. Lowther, Esq., an officer in the port of Newcastle, did the like March 23 ; Tim. Bagwith, Tho. Lawson, Bartram Ward, Chr. Wright and Ralph Nichols, officers in the port of Whitby, did the like March 20. Will. Robinson, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Richard Peirse, John Smelt.

[36^b.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 16, 1695.

Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, John Gibson, John Hill, jun^r., Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, and Rich. Darley, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Two cases of assault ; three cases of stealing ; seven watercourses stopped. [39^b.] Two bills ignored. A prisoner tried and convicted.

[40.] ORDERS made etc.

The 12d. weekly granted to a poor man last Thirske Sessions not to be paid, he being of sufficient ability to provide for himself.

[41.] NORTH ALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 13, 1695.

Before Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Rich Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, and John Smelt, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The inhab^{ts}. of Caldthorne for non-payment of ass^{ts}. ; the churchwardens of Arkengarthdale for neglecting their office ; a Worsall yeomⁿ. for seditious words, viz ;—“ Here is King James’ health to you ” ; five Hornby men and the Rector of Smeaton for non-payment of ass^{ts}. ; fourteen men for not scouring watercourses. [43.] One bill ignored.

[43^b.] ORDERS made etc.

An ass^t. to be made upon the inhab^{ts}. of Romanby by the Surv^{rs}. for highways there, and the money thereby raised to be employed towards the repair of the highways, etc. ; [44.] the like Order for the inhab^{ts}. of Northallerton ; [44^b.] whereas Adam Tomlinson lately prosecuted an action or suite in the Court of Common Pleas at Westminster against the inhab^{ts}. of the hundred of Hang East, upon the Statute of King Edward I., for not making an amends for a robbery committed upon him in the parish of Well in the said hundred, which said action was tried at the last Assizes at the Castle of Yorke, and a verdict given by the Jury for the said Adam and damages assessed and given to the sum of £97. of lawful English money : now, upon the motion of several of the inhab^{ts}. of the said hundred made to this Court as well for the raising of the said damages, as also of the said

Adam Tomlinson's costs of suite, to prevent such further damages and inconveniences as must necessarily occur to the inhab^{ts}. of the said hundred, should the goods of any of them be levied in execution for the same, as also for the raising such moneys as the said inhab^{ts} have expended in and about the defence of the said suite, the said Adam Tomlinson having given in to this Court a bill of his costs of suite amounting to £54. 8., and the inhab^{ts}. of the said hundred having given in a bill or particular of the money by them expended amounting to £28. 10., which said bills and matters this Court hath taken into consideration, and doth therefore desire that £180. shall be estreated upon the inhab^{ts}. of the said hundred [45.] by any two Justices residing in or near to the said hundred, and that the same shall be immediately after the estreat thereof collected by the C. C^s. and paid unto Leon. Smelt and John Smelt, Esquires, to be by them paid unto the said Adam Tomlinson or his attorney, and to such of the inhab^{ts}. as have expended the money in the defence of the said suite, and the said Justices are desired to take proper discharges from all persons concerned. John Wastell, Leo. Smelt.

[46.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 8, 1695.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Will. Hustler, Rich. Peirse, Chas. Tancred, Rich. Staines, and Roger Talbot, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Two cases of riotous and unlawful assembly ; a Northallerton man for scandalous words ; twenty-two persons for not scouring watercourses ; the inhab^{ts}. of Smeaton for the like ; two cases of forcible entry and illegal seizure ; a case of trespass with damage ; a case of stealing.

[49^b.] ORDERS made etc.

42s. 6d. allowed for losses by fire ; £30. to be estreated and paid to Mr. Rob. Bell, to remain in his hands for such uses as the Court shall afterwards Order and appoint ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay unto Mr. John Wilson, Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ., 32s. 6d. for his extraordinary charges in conveying his prisoners to several places within the said Riding. Will. Robinson, Roger Talbot, Cha. Tancred, Rich. Staines, Richard Peirse.

[51.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 15, 169 $\frac{5}{6}$.

Before Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, and John Gibson, Esquires.

High Sheriff, John Bradshawe, Esq. ; John Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—A Slingsby lab^r. for entering a warren and killing rabbits with nets and ferrets; a Wrelton yeomⁿ. for refusal to pay ass^{ts}.; the clerk and a yeom^r. of Skelton for assault on a man who refused to drink King James' health. [52.] Two bills ignored.

[56.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas two men of the Constabulary of Newton in the parish of Lyth have made their complaint to this Court that they are overcharged in their ass^{ts}. to the church and poor: upon the hearing of which the Court doth recommend their business to two of the next adjoining Justices, who are desired to examine the business and to regulate the same, and until such regulation and determination be made, the said men shall not pay any ass^{ts}. either to church or poor; a poor man who lately happened to break his leg in the Constabulary of Ampleforth, where he hath since laid at the charges of the said Constabulary, to be removed to Pickhall, the place of his last legal settlement, there to be provided for, and the inhab^{ts}. of Pickhall to pay all such charges to the inhab^{ts}. of Ampleforth as they shall make appear they are out of purse about the relieving and removing the said man, unless they shew cause etc.

[57.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 21, 169 $\frac{5}{6}$.

Before Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Chas. Tancred, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Fr. Wyvill, and John Smelt, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Masham gentⁿ. for threats; a case of assault; a case of trespass with damage; a case of stealing. [60.] Two prisoners tried and acquitted.

[61.] ORDERS made etc.

Orders in three bastardy cases; Math. Pybus of Mawnby, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. of Gilling East *vic* John Lownesdale, gentⁿ.; Mr. Will. Warwicke, Thr^r. for Richmondshire, to pay the Surv^r. for Bainbridge

Bridge 40s. which he is out of purse about the repair of the same ; [61^b.] a gratuity to a soldier's widow. Roger Talbot, Fran. Wyvill, Richard Peirse, John Wastell, John Smelt.

[62.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 21, 1696.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Chaytor, Sir Will. Robinson, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Chas. Tancred, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Tho. Pulleine, Rich. Darley, Constable Bradshawe, Fr. Wyvill, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Eight persons of Northallerton for placing heaps of mud and dirt in the street; a Thirske mercer for seditious words : “ King William did mortgage this kingdom to the States of Holland when he was about to come over, and the first ass^t. that was granted after he came in went to pay off the said mortgage ”; to which words a man replied : “ How could he do so because he was not possessed of the kingdom,” and the said mercer answered “ That he had so much assurance as he could do it, yet they, the people of this Kingdom of England, delaying their coming for some time after he landed, he sent letters to several of them that if they did not immediately come in to his assistance, he would send King James a list of their names that had subscribed to him ”; a Hipswell yeomⁿ. for forcible entry on the common pinfold ; a Thirske lab^r. for scandalous words ; an Easingwold lab^r. for harbouring a deserting soldier ; a case of riotous and unlawful assembly ; two cases of illegal seizure ; a case of assault ; three cases of stealing. [66.] Three bills ignored. [66^b.] Two prisoners tried : one convicted and one acquitted.

[67.] ORDERS made etc.

£3. 2. 6. allowed for a loss by fire ; Rich Tanfeild of Cathorpe, gentⁿ., and Will. Dagget of Roakesby, gentⁿ., sworn C. C^s. of Hallikeld vice Henry Raper and Fr. Allen, gent^r. ; Mr. Rob. Bell, Thr^r., to pay unto Mr. Will. Warwicke, Thr^r. for Richmondshire, his proportion of the sum of £30. by the said Mr. Bell formerly received, and which was to remain in his hands for such uses as this Court should appoint ; Order in a bastardy case ; [67^b.] upon hearing the difference between a Whitby man and his apprentice, and it appearing to this Court that the said man had not only abused his said apprentice, but had neglected to teach him the art or mistery of a carpenter according to the indentures betwixt them : this Court doth Order that the said

boy be acquit from his said master as an apprentice ; no alehouse-keepers to be licensed at the next Alehouse Sessions but such persons as will take the oaths directed by the Act for abrogating the oaths of allegiance and supremacy and appointing other oaths ; the Thrs. to pay 20s. as a gratuity towards the charge the town of Ampleforth was at with a man who chanced in his travel to break his leg within the said Constabulary ; whereas it appears that a Sand Hutton woman died possessed of several goods of the value of 57s. 8d. and that the Parish Off^{rs}. of Sand Hutton have disbursed about her in her sickness and for burying her, and nursing a child she left and its funeral expenses, and for other disbursements on that account, £2. 8. 7. : Ordered that the said Parish Off^{rs}. shall sell the said goods for reimbursing them, rendering the overplus to whom it shall legally belong ; [68.] £3. 2. 6. allowed for a loss by fire ; £60. to be estreated for the repair of Thirkleby, Skipton, and Reeth Bridges. Cha. Tancred, John Hutton, C. Bradshaw, John Wastell, W^m. Pennyman.

[68.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 14, 1696.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, John Gibson, John Hill, Constable Bradshaw, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Whitby mercer for assault on a Nonconforming Minister, and for hindering him from preaching ; an Ugthorpe yeomⁿ. for malicious words, viz.—“The devill go with King William and with thee too, for I care for neither of you” ; a Scarbrough yeomⁿ. for assault and threats ; four Hemsley lab^{rs}. for departing from their work without finishing it ; a servant for obtaining goods in her mistress' name ; two cases of riotous and unlawful assembly ; three cases of illegal seizure. [71^b.] Two bills ignored.

[72.] ORDERS made etc.

Orders in two bastardy cases ; the difference about the account of the goods had and received by a servant at Whitby, and by her sold to the wife of Will. Harrison, to be referred to two Whitby gentⁿ., who are desired to hear and examine the same and state the same fairly amongst them, and if the said Will. Harrison and his wife, or the said servant, shall refuse to stand to such acc^t., they are to be bound etc. ; £3. allowed for a loss by fire ; the houses of Rich. Hill in Whitby and Chr. Dale in Howe are certified to be set apart for God's worship by Protestant Dissenters.

[73.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 21, 1696.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, John Wastell, John Hutton, Anth. Wharton, and John Smelt, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A case of illegal seizure ; two cases of stealing.

[74.] One prisoner tried and acquitted.

[74^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The several C. C^s. to issue out their warrants to the respective Petty Constables within their several divisions, requiring them to make returns in writing at the next Sessions after Michaelmas of the names, surnames, and places of abode of all persons residing within their respective Constableries betwixt the age of one-and-twenty and seventy years who have freehold or copyhold lands of the clear yearly value of £10. *per annum*, being qualified to serve on Juries at the Assizes and Sessions pursuant to the Statute in that behalf lately made and provided ; Will. Dagget, and Rich. Tanfeild, gent^r., sworn C. C^s. for Hallikeld.

[75^b.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 6, 1696.

Before Sir Bryan Stapylton, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Robinson, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, John Hill, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, and John Hutton, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Eleven cases of non-repair of highways ; a case of illegal seizure ; a case of stealing. [79.] A bill ignored. [80^b.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[81.] ORDERS made etc.

£5. allowed for a loss by fire ; Mr. Will. Warde, Surv^r. of bridges, to pay 32s. 6d. for the repair of Thornton Bridges ; the salary of the Master of the Ho. of Corr^r. at Thirske to be £26. *per annum* till this Court do Order the contrary.

[82^b.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 19, 169 $\frac{6}{7}$.

Before John Gibson, Tho. Worsley, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Tho. Pulleine, Esq. : John Storzaker, Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—The inhab'ts. of Caldthorne for non-payment of ass'ts.; a Harome man for assaulting a woman and taking from her by force two bonds by which he was obliged to pay her two several sums of money; a case of illegal seizure.

[84.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas this Court is informed that Tho. Barber, Minister of Farlington, is melancholy and not right in his senses, by which he is not only made incapable to act in the Ministry but also to take care or make any provision for himself, and that care may be taken of him, and that he offer no violence to himself or wander abroad by which he may be subject to other misfortunes, and that care may be had and taken and due provision may be made for necessary meat, drink, apparell, washing, and lodging for him, this Court doth Order the Parish Off'rs. of Farlington to take care to receive the rents and profits belonging to his place there, and to dispose of them for the use and benefit of the said Tho. Barber until such tinies as it shall please God to restore him to his right senses, and that he is able to take care and provide for himself.

[85.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 19, 169 $\frac{6}{7}$.

Before John Hutton and Anth. Wharton, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—An Ellerton-on-Swale lab'. for scandalous words; a case of trespass with damage. [85^b.] A bill ignored.

[86.] ORDERS made etc.

A letter of recommendation to be given under the seal of the Court in the behalf of the sufferers by fire in the town of Gateshead in the County Palatine of Durham; two Ellerton men to be suppress from brewing, they keeping disorderly houses; an apprentice to return to his master and serve out his apprenticeship pursuant to his indenture, this Court adjudging his departure from his master to be illegal and without any just or sufficient cause.

[87.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 13, 1697.

Before Sir Will. Robinson, Rich. Peirse, Chas. Tancred, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Rich. Darley, and John Smelt, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A case of forcible entry and illegal seizure ; the Constables of Cotherston and Mewker for neglecting their office ; two cases of stealing. [91.] Two prisoners tried : one acquitted and one convicted.

[91^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Ralph Laidman of Bowes and Anth. Bayles of Rombaldkirke to appear at the next Sessions that one of them (which this Court shall pitch upon) may be sworn C. C. for Gilling west *vice* Fr. Weatherill ; a Fetham man to pay 6*d.* a week for the relief of his mother ; the Thrs. to pay £1. 3. 6. to the Surv^r. for Holden Bridge, being a country bridge ; Mr. Rob. Bell, Thrs., to perfect his acc^{ts}. and deliver the same to this Court during these Sessions, and Mr. Tho. Paige of Thirske to succeed the said Mr. Bell in his said office of Thrs. ; Roger Wilkinson of Danby Wiske, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. of Gilling East *vice* Mr. Math. Pybus deceased ; Mr. Tho. Morrell of Thirske to be C. C. for Birdforth *vice* Mr. Will. Coates ; [92.] Tho. Kilvington, sen^r., of Knayton and Henry Hugill of Little Smeaton to be C. C^s. for Allertonshire *vice* Mr. Geo. Richardson and Mr. Edw. Foxton ; the Thrs. to pay 37*s.* 6*d.* (being this Riding's proportion) for work done about Yorke Castle ; whereas it appears to this Court that the inhab^{ts}. of Newton have disbursed above six score pounds in making a stone bridge in the road leading from Newton to Linton and Youlton, which is of great use and benefit to the country : Ordered that the Thrs. shall pay £20. as a gratuity for the use of the inhab^{ts}. of Newton aforesaid towards the reimbursing them what they laid out about the said bridge ; Henry Hugill, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Allertonshire ; Tho. Morrell, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Birdforth ; [92^b.] The Thrs. to pay £5. to Mr. John Wilson which he is out of purse about repairing the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske ; £127. to be estreated for repairing Egton, Scawton, Shaking, Rotherforth, Reeth, Morton, and Smeaton Bridges, being all country bridges ; the houses of John Janson and Jane Harrison in Northallerton, and the houses of Jas. Dawson, John Nelson, and Rich. Haggarth in Garsdale, are certified to be set apart for religious worship by Protestant Dissenters. Will. Robinson, Roger Talbot, R. Darley, Rich. Staines, Richard Peirse.

[93^b.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 13, 1697.

Before John Gibson, Tho. Worsley, John Hill, and Tho. Crofts, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Two cases of stealing. [94^b.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[95.] ORDERS made etc.

John Kirby, and Samuel Harding, gentⁿ., sworn C. C^s. for Pickering Lyth ; 32s. 6d. allowed for a loss by fire.

[96.] NORTH ALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 20, 1697.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Will. Hustler, Rich. Peirse, Chas. Tancred, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, and John Smelt, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—An Askrig lab^r. for not repairing his fences ; an Ovington yeomⁿ for stopping a footpath ; the Constable of Pickhall-cum-Roakesby for neglecting his office ; a case of illegal seizure.

[99^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Tho. Kilvington of Knayton, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. of Allertonshire *vic* Mr. Geo. Richardson ; the inhab^{t_s} of Ellerton-on-Swale to make an ass^t. not exceeding 6d. per pound for repairing their highways, pursuant to a late Act of Parliament ; Rob. Awton of Hunton to be struck out of the freehold book and acquitted from serving on any Jury at Assize or Sessions, he having made affidavit that he hath not £10. per annum ; [100.] the several C. C^s. to issue out their warrants to the respective Petty Constables within their several divisions requiring them to make returns in writing at the next Sessions after Michaelmas of the names, surnames, and places of abode of all persons residing within their respective Constabberies betwixt the age of twenty-one and seventy years, who have freehold or copyhold lands of the clear yearly value of £10. per annum, being qualified to serve on Juries at the Assizes and Sessions pursuant to the Statute in that behalf lately made and provided.

[101.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 5, 1697.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Bryan Stapylton, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Chas. Tancred, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, and Rich. Darley, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—The inhab'ts. of Towthropp for refusal to pay ass'ts.; a Bransby lab'. for using the trade of a tallow chandler without legal apprenticeship; the inhab'ts. of Arncliffe for not repairing Carre Bridge; five cases of stealing. [105.] Five prisoners tried: three convicted and two acquitted.

[106.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thrs. to pay £4. towards the charge the inhab'ts. of Stoxley have been at in repairing a bridge; The Thrs. to pay £7. as a gratuity for the repair of Sowerby Bridge; £15. allowed for losses by fire; £10. to be paid as a gratuity for the repair of Huntington Bridge being of great use to the country; £4. as a gratuity for the repair of Gilling Bridge; [106^b.] the Thrs. to pay 30s. 6d. to John Wastell, Esq., for reimbursing him the like sum paid to Mr. John Shan, late Under Sheriff to Ingleby Daniel, Esq., for moneys paid by him for prisoners in the King's Bench and Marshalsey; the Thrs. to pay £3. 2. 6. for getting an indictment drawn at London; upon an Ellerton man giving security by two sufficient sureties for his keeping an orderly alehouse, the next adjoining Justices are desired to take such security and to grant him a licence thereupon to keep a common alehouse; [107.] the Order made by two Justices upon the complaint of Chr. Ripley against Mr. Taylor, an officer of the excise, for illegally seizing of his leather, to be confirmed, the said seizure being looked upon and adjudged by this Court to be illegal, and the said officer to deliver back the said leather to the said Chr. Ripley.

[108.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 11, 169 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Before John Gibson, Tho. Worsley, and Tho. Pennyman, Esquires.

Will. Lowther, Esq., High Sheriff: John Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments:—Two cases of stealing. [110.] Two prisoners tried and convicted.

[110^b.] ORDERS made etc.

John Pearson of Claxton, gentⁿ., to be C. C. for Bulmer *vice* Jeromiah Idle; whereas this Court is informed that great damage is done by this winter floods and ice to several bridges which the country is to repair, and that if money be not estreated till Easter Sessions next it will much retard the work and the providing such necessaries as in the mean time may be provided and made ready to be used so soon as the season of the year will serve for undertaking the said work: Ordered that £100. be estreated and paid to Mr. Will. Warde, Surv^r. for bridges, for the providing such materials as may be convenient, who is hereby required to give an acc^t. to this Court how he shall dispose of the same, and this Court doth recommend this Order to the next General Sessions to be holden by adjournment at Richmond and doth desire the Court there to comply and agree with them herein; £2. 10. allowed for losses by fire; [111.] the Thrs^s. to pay £5. to Mr. Tho. Story for his service in riding to the several Justices for getting the address signed.

[112.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 18, 1697⁸.

Before Sir Mark Milbanke, John Hutton, Anth. Wharton, and John Smelt, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A woman and three men for using the trade of bakers without legal apprenticeship, etc.

[115^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Orders in two bastardy cases; [116.] Jas. Dawson and John Haggard in Garsdale have bought a house which they desire may be recorded as set apart for divine worship.

[117.] THIRSK.

Qu. Sessions at, May 3, 1698.

Before Sir Bryan Stapylton, Sir Will. Robinson, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, John Hill, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Tho. Pulleine, Rich. Darley, Edm. Barstow, and John Smelt, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Two men for stealing and another for being accessory after the fact ; a Scalby miller for paying a bad crown-piece ; the Overseer of Ellerton-on-Swale for neglecting his office.

[119.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thrs^s. to pay £3. 2. 6. as a gratuity to Mr. John Wilson, Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corr^r. at Thirske, towards the great charges he hath been at in carrying great numbers of prisoners to the several Sessions, and towards the great charges he hath been at by the extremity of the winter* in providing firing and other necessaries for his prisoners ; John Pearson of Claxton, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Bulmer *vice* Mr. Jeromiah Idle ; £300. to be estreated for the repairing of public bridges ; a gratuity of 22s. 6d. to a Yarome man who was an officer in the service of King Charles I., for his good service done in the wars ; an ass^t. not exceeding 6d. in the pound to be made in the Constabulary of Kirke Leavington for the repair of the highways there ; the Thrs^s. to pay 32s. 6d. for the repair of Leeming Bridge, being a country bridge ; [119^b.] The Thrs^s. to pay 40s. as a gratuity to Rich. Gilbertson of Rocliffe for the pains he hath taken in procuring freeholders' hands to obtain an Act of Parliament for the ease of Jurors to serve at the Assizes and Sessions ; the Thrs^s. to pay £10. as a gratuity to a Bainbridge man for building of Becke Bridge, and for the repairing of Chopper Gill Bridge, Thwaite Bridge, and Helgill Bridge, being all of them bridges of great use to the country ; the Thrs^s. to pay £5. as a gratuity to the inhab^ts. of Newton-in-le-Willows and Pattericke Brompton towards the making a stone bridge where the wood bridge in Newton-in-le-Willows did stand ; the Thrs^s. to pay 40s. as a gratuity for the repair of East Rownton Bridge ; [120.] £5, allowed for a loss by fire.

[121.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 12, 1698.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, and Will. Pennyman, Esquire.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Norton Skinner for buying a thousand rough calves' skins and selling them again rough and untanned ; the Surv^rs. of highways for Kirke Leavington for neglecting their office ; three cases of stealing.

* In the first Sessions for the current year the severity of the winter is more than implied in the first Order recorded. The floods had been very heavy, and the ice carried down by them had occasioned great damage to the County bridges. Here the record is of another kind, but such as to call attention to the severity of the past season.

[122^b.] ORDERS made etc.

A lewd, idle, dangerous woman sent to the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske ; the houses of Tho. Pennocke of Midleton, Henry Skelton of Barugh, and Will. Browne of Farmanby are certified to this Court to be set apart for divine worship for the people called Quakers.*

[123.] LABORNE [LEYBURN].

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 19, 1698.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, John Hutton, and Tho. Pulleine, Esquires. High Sheriff etc. as before.

A case of Traverse.

Five Orders in cases of relief and settlement of poor people.

[127.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 4, 1698.

Before Sir Bryan Stapylton, Sir Will. Robinson, Rich. Peirse, Chas. Tancred, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Rich. Darley, Edm. Barstow, Daniel Lassells, and John Smelt, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Three men for buying rough hides and selling them again rough ; five Cathorpe men for not scouring a watercourse ; the Constable of Northallerton for taking upon himself, under colour of his office, to quarter two soldiers in the house of a certain man, whereas the said man did not keep an inne, a livery stable, an ale-house, or a victualing house, nor sell brandy, strong water, cyder or metheglin ; a Pickhall-cum-Roakesby lab^r. for not repairing his fences ; a Thirske weaver for paying bad shillings ; four cases of stealing. Three prisoners tried and convicted.

[132.] ORDERS made etc.

The Order made at Thirske, February 24, 169⁹/₁, touching the regulating the ass^t. between the inhab^ts. of Cornbrough and Mr. Daniel Boldero to be confirmed, and two Justices to examine and enquire

* This is nearly the first entry of the kind since the list given at a former page (p. 102) of the meeting-houses belonging to the “people called Quakers” in various parts of the Riding. Among all the many notices given in previous parts of the Volume of the licensing of houses for the worship of Protestant Dissenters, there has been no reason for supposing that any one of them was in connection with the Quakers.

whether, since the making the said former Order, ass'ts. have been made and paid by the inhab'ts. of Cornbrough aforesaid pursuant to the said Order, and to make their report etc.; the persons employed for drawing the drawbridge* at Whitby to be nominated and appointed by Mr. Will. Warde of Guisbrough, Surv'r. for bridges, and the moneys by them received of the several vessels passing and repassing under the said drawbridge to be by them paid to the said Mr. Warde, who is to give an acc't. from time to time of what he shall so receive; the Thr's. to pay unto Mr. Henry Frankland £4. 14. 6. for reimbursing him what he is out of purse for buying several Acts of Parliament, and other sums by him disbursed upon several other occasions; whereas it appears to this Court that the inhab'ts. of Skiplam and Bransdale have heretofore, according to an antient custom in all ass'ts., paid equally: Ordered that for the future the said inhab'ts. of Skiplam and Bransdale shall equally pay all their ass'ts. as formerly they have done; [132^b.] a Whorleton man to have letters recommendatory to the Lord Archbishop of York† for and in his behalf towards the loss he lately sustained by fire; £2. 10. allowed for losses by fire; the Thr's. to pay £3. 2. 6. for repairing the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske.

[133.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 19, 169⁸.

Before John Gibson, and Chas. Tancred, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presents:—Eight cases of stealing. Eight prisoners tried: five convicted and three acquitted.

[137.] ORDERS made etc.

A warrant to be sent out by the Clerk of the Peace against the several Constables who neglected to make a return of Jurors the last Michaelmas Sessions according to a late Act of Parliament; the

* More than one of the previous entries dealing with the general subject of the drawbridge at Whitby have left it at least open to inference, that the crews of the vessels desiring to pass the bridge in either direction were expected themselves to do the necessary labour of—what is here called “the drawing the drawbridge.” From the present Order it is apparent that a great change is in process of execution, and that the control of the bridge, and the receipt of the tolls taken, and the disposal of the sums so taken, are not—at all events for the time being—in local hands, but in the hands of the Riding Surveyor of bridges.

† This is a new feature in the history of what may in general terms be styled “the Brief.” [See *infra*.]

houses of Jonathan Campion of Pickering Marishes, called White Hall, and John Campleman of Yedingham Abby, are certified to this Court to be set apart for divine worship for the people called Quakers [*sic*] ; whereas there is a difference betwixt the inhab^ts. of Cropton and Caldthorne about their raits in ass^ts., and several indictments depending in this Court touching the same, for the final end and determination of which difference and settling the said rates for the future : Ordered (by and with the consent of both parties) that it shall be referred to four gentⁿ. named to inform themselves by the best ways and means they can of the just and true valuation and improvements of the lands and profits within each of the said townships, and also of what sums of money have been raised by Constable ass^ts. within the Constabulary of Cropton-cum-membris for six years last past, and how the same have been disposed on, and how the same ought to be proportioned betwixt the said towns of Cropton and Caldthorne, and the said referees, or two of them at the least, to make their report etc., that the Court may make an Order to settle rates for the future between the said townships ; Rob. Fosse sworn C. C. of Langbarugh.

[138.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 17, 169⁸₉.
Before John Hutton and Tho. Pulleine, Esquires.
High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Clawbeck yeomⁿ. for not repairing his fences ; a Dishforth woman for using the trade of a grocer without legal apprenticeship ; two Stanwick-cum-Carleton yeomⁿ. for assault on the Clerk of the Parish Church of St. John's in the administration of his office ; two watercourses not scoured ; a case of unlawful assembly ; three cases of stealing. [142.] Three prisoners tried : two convicted and one acquitted.

[143.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas this Court taketh notice that immorality, vice and profaneness abound still in these parts to the great dishonour of our religion and reproach of our Government, notwithstanding the many good laws we have to the contrary, and his Majesty's late proclamation for putting the said laws in execution, and forasmuch as (it is believed) the said evils might in great part be prevented and remedied [remedied] if all the Ministers in this Riding would read in their several churches the late Statute against profane swearing and cursing on the four

several Sundays yearly appointed, viz.—the Sunday next after the 24th day of June, the 29th day of September, the 25th day of December, and the 25th day of March, and also his Majesty's late proclamation for preventing and punishing immorality and profaneness, so often as they are required to be read, and thereupon to incite and stirr up [their] auditories to the practice of piety and vertue and the avoiding all immorality and prophaneness : to the end therefore that the said law may be better observed, and the reformation of manners to the pleasure of the Almighty more duly promoted : Ordered that the several Churchwardens and Constables of and within the several parishes within this Riding do, upon the receipt hereof, repair unto some neighbouring J.P. and give him true information whether the Minister did read the said Statute against prophane swearing and cursing in their church on the Sunday next following Christmas Day last, and that they do from time to time give the like notice to the said Justices the week following every of the said Sundays on which the said Statute is appointed to be read, if the Minister have omitted to read the same, and the Justices are desired to bind over without fee such Churchwardens or Constables, who shall certify and inform them that their Minister did not read the Statute at the days abovesaid, to appear at the next Sessions and there present their said Minister touching his forfeiture of 20s. for his said omission, to the end the said law may be duly put in execution, and for the future be better observed both by magistrates and Ministers, and the said Justices are further desired to send for such officers above mentioned who they believe are remiss and negligent in their observance of this Order, and to bind them over, if they see cause, to answer for such their neglect.*

[144.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 19, 1699.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Tho. Pennyman, John Gibson, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Rich. Darley, Will. Pennyman, and Daniel Lassells, Esquires.

High Sheriff, John Lambert, Esq. : John Storzaker, gentⁿ. Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—A Kirby Wiske gentⁿ. for disturbing the Clerk

* A very curious and, perhaps, significant Order. It may be worth noting that in 1698 " Societies for the reformation of Manners " were founded ; as also were the Societies for " Promoting Christian Knowledge," and for the " Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts."

whilst reading divine service in the parish church ; a Towlsby yeomⁿ. for paying bad half-crowns ; seven cases of stealing ; ten cases of non-repair of highways.

[152.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thrs^r. to pay unto John Storzaker, jun^r., gentⁿ., 30s. 6d. due and in arrear for King's Bench and Marshalsey money for the year John Bradshaw, Esq., was High Sheriff ; [152^b.] the inhab^{ts}. of Thoraldby to assess all Constable ass^{ts}. as other ass^{ts}. within the said Constabulary are assest, unless they shew cause etc. ; £200. to be estreated for building a bridge over the river of Burne, and the place where the said bridge shall be built to be referred to Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Astrupus Danby, John Hutton, Esq., and John Wastell, Esq., or any three of them, to pi[t]ch upon ; £200. more to be likewise estreated for repairing the following bridges, viz.—Willow, Wath, Greeta, Deepdale, Cutherston, Bow, Dalton, Thirkleby, Howden, Smeaton, and several other bridges ; Mr. Will. Warde, Surv^r., to view Keldam, Maske, and Goadland Bridges, and repair them, but not to exceed £15. in repairing them ; [153.] the inhab^{ts}. of North Otterington to make all their ass^{ts}. for the future according to the real value of their improved land-rents ; the differances betwixt the inhab^{ts}. of Cornebrough and Mr. Dan. Bolderoe about their ass^{ts}. referred to four Justices ; the Thrs^r. to pay £4. 2. 6. to Mr. John Wilson, Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ., as a gratuity towards reimbursing him what he is out of purse more then his sallary in relieving his prisoners, and sending them to the several Sessions ; [153^b.] Mr. Paige, Thrs^r., to pay £2. 12. 6. to Mr. Rob. Jackson for money by him disburst on the acc^t. of the said Riding ; Mr. Paige, Thrs^r., to pay £2. 12. 6. to Mr. Tho. Story for giving the Justices notice of a general meeting ; [154.] complaint having been made unto this Court that great damage hath been done to the bridge at Whitby by reason of mooring and fastening several ships thereto : Ordered that no person for the future shall moor or fasten any ship or vessill to any jewills or other parts of the bridge, and Mr. Jas. Ward of Whitby is desired by this Court to inform them what persons presume, in contempt of this Order, to fasten any vessels to the bridge for the future, that the persons so offending may be indicted or otherwise proceeded against as this Court shall think fit, and that all persons may take notice thereof, and this Court doth further Order that those persons whose houses do join upon the bridge aforesaid do repair so much of the bridge as is decayed by reason of dropping of their houses, or shew cause etc.

[154^c.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 19, 1699.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, John Gibson, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, Tho. Straingways, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A Thormanby yeomⁿ. for paying bad half-crowns on two occasions; Edw. Fairbanke of the city of Yorke, informer, for extortion; a case of illegal seizure.

[155^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The matter upon which a Shipton man stands indicted concerning the repair of a highway to be referred to two Justices, and the inhab^{ts}. of Shipton and the said man to stand to such determination as they shall make in the same, a report whereof they are desired to make to the next Sessions; [156.] the inhab^{ts}. of Castle Leavington to pay to the inhab^{ts}. of Lowe Worsill towards the relief of their poor £6. for the next year ensuing, viz.—30s. at Lamas next, 30s. at Martinmas following, 30s. more at Candlemas next, and 30s. more, the remainder, upon the 1st day of May next: Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. of Cundall finding lime, stroe [stone?] and other necessary materials for building a stone bridge near Thornton Bridge in the Constabulary of Cundall, where a ruinous stone bridge called Mill Bridge now stands, finding and providing sufficient labours, Mr. Will. Warde, Surv^r. for bridges, shall provide maysons to build and finish the said bridge, which shall be done at the charge of this Riding as a gratuity to the said bridge standing in the public road leading from the city of Yorke to Richmond, and so into the northerene countys of England; [156^b.] the Thr^r. to pay £9. to two Justices for putting out four apprentices; 42s. 6d. allowed for losses by fire; a man to pay 18d. weekly for the relief of his mother to the Overseers of Cockayne, and also 6s. which they are already out of purse about her, and when he shall take her away and make provision for her, the said weekly payment to cease.

[157.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 18, 1699.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Rich. Peirse, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Tho. Pulleine, Edm. Barstow, Daniel Lassells, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A Masham yeomⁿ. for attempting to deprive a certain man of his good name and fame by inducing three men by the promise of a reward to accuse him of an abominable crime; two cases of trespass with damage; five cases of stealing. [160.] Eight prisoners tried: three convicted and five acquitted.

[162^b.] ORDERS made etc.

A Free Mayson to view Greetey Bridge forthwith and to make his report in writing to a J.P., what sum the same will require for the repairing thereof, and Mr. Will. Warwicke, Thir^r. for Richmondshire, to pay him 10s. for his pains; the Constable of Midleham to take the goods of a felon towards reimbursing him his charges in conveying the said felon to Yorke Castle; Mr. Walter Robinson of Masham to be H. C. for Hang East *vice* Chr. Marshall of Masham; [163.] the inhab^{ts}. of North Otterington to make all their ass^{ts}. for the future as formerly they have done, and an Order made the last Thirske Sessions for paying their ass^{ts}. according to the improved land-rent to be vacated and made void; the inhab^{ts}. of Thoraldby to pay and lay all their ass^{ts}. for the future as formerly they have done, and an Order obtained the last Thirske Sessions for regulating their ass^{ts}. to be made null and void; [163^b.] Rich. Tanfeild and Will. Daggett, the present C. C^s. for Hallikeld, to waite of Sir Will. Robinson, where they are to name two fit persons within the said weapentake to succeed them, which after he hath approved on, they are to summon [them] to appear at the next Sessions to take the said office upon them.

[164.] THIRSK.

Qu. Sessions at, October 3, 1699.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Robinson, John Gibson, Rich. Peirse, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Fr. Wyvill, Will. Pennyman, and Daniel Lassells, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—Six cases of stealing. [167.] Eight prisoners tried: six acquitted and two convicted.

[168.] ORDERS made etc.

John Wilkinson of Whitby, gentⁿ., to be C. C. for Whitby Strand *vice* Henry Lyle, gentⁿ; £5. 2. 6. allowed for losses by fire; the dispute betwixt Coverham and Aglethorpe about building a house for

a poor man, and in what place it shall stand, to be left soly [sic] to the discretion of the Lord of the Manner to appoint and set forth the place for the same where he shall think most convenient, which this Court doth request may be done with all convenient speed and expedition ; [169.] the Thirs^r. to pay £3. as a gratuity for Dalton Bridge ; the new bridge to be built over the River Burne for cart and carriage to be placed and built in the highway leading from Swinton to Brigholme, which is the place agreed upon by the gentⁿ. that this Court desired to view where it was most convenient to place the same, and the said bridge to be built by Mr. Will. Ward ; [169^b.] Mr. Will. Ward out of the money that remains in his hands to disburse a sum not exceeding £30. for building a footbridge over the River Burne where formerly the old bridge stud [sic] or as nigh the same as possibly may be ; Mr. Will. Ward to take a view of Sanvas Bridge standing betwixt the towns of Melmerby and Wath, and being of great use to the country, and to make his report to this Court what will repair the same, half of which sum he is to pay as a gratuity out of the moneys remaining in his hands for repairing the said bridge ; [170.] Mr. Wilson, Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske, to have for the future £30. *per annum* paid for his sallary, and the last quarter bypast to be paid to him proportionably, and Mr. Ward to view the said House and to give an acc^t. etc. ; the house of John Masterman of Tolthrop is certified to this Court to be set apart for divine worship for the people called Quakers.

[171.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 9, 1699-1700.

Before John Gibson, Chas. Tancred, and John Hill, Esquires.

Fairfax Norcliffe, Esq., High Sheriff : John Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—Two Whitby sailors for fastening their boats to Whitby Bridge ; a Thirske man for scandalous words against a woman : “ She is a clipper and clipped either a shilling or a half-crown ; I will prove it ” ; the same man for the like ; a case of illegal seizure ; a case of assault ; a case of stealing ; a highway not repaired. [173^b.] Two prisoners tried and convicted.

[174.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas several differences were depending in this Court between the inhab^{ts}. of Cornebrough and Mr. Dan. Boldero about their ass^{ts}., which differences by Order of this Court were referred to four Justices,

who accordingly met and made their orders as followeth, viz.—that the said Mr. Dan. Boldero for the future should be taxed and assessed the just third part of what taxes, etc. shall be laid on and raised out of the lands of Cornebrough, and that the other two third parts shall be raised by the said inhab^{ts}. of Cornebrough, which order this Court doth Order to be made an Order of this Court; the business for which a Whitby man was indicted touching his ass^{ts}. referred to two gentⁿ. who are desired to enquire whether he were legally and equally assessed, and if they find that he was so assessed to order such charges to the prosecutors as they shall think reasonable, and to report their agreement to this Court; [174^b.] whereas there hath been several differences between the inhab^{ts}. of Cropton and Cawthorne concerning their ass^{ts}., which differences were referred to four gentⁿ., and whereas two of them have under their hands reported as followeth, viz.—March 29, 1699–1700, Cropton to have for six years ending at Michaelmas, '98, £3. 18. from Cawthorne, and the custom as to the Constable casts to be as formerly: it is therefore Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. of Cawthorne shall have time till the next Sessions to shew cause why the said report should not be confirmed by this Court; Mr. Tho. Paige, Thr^r., to pay to Tho. Story 5s., which sum he paid to a poor man given him as a gratuity.

[175.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 16, 1699–1700.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, John Hutton, Anth. Wharton, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A Great Smeaton lab^r. for forcible entry on a close and for milking a cow; two cases of stealing. [176^b.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[178.] ORDERS made etc.

Mr. Will. Warwicke, Thr^r. for Richmondshire, to pay £3. 2. 6. to Mr. John Storaker, by him to be paid to John Wastell, Esq., for an incurridgment [?encouragement], and towards the defraying the charges of several poor persons that are bound to appear the next Assizes to give evidence on the behalf of our Sovereign Lord the King against two highwaymen that committed several small robberies within this Riding; [178^b.] John Browne of Thornbrough and Jasper Barugh of Disforth sworn C. C^s. of Hallikeld; the dispute between a Midleham man and the Constable there referred to a J.P.

[179.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 9, 1700.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, John Gibson, John Wastell, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbott, John Hutton, Fr. Wivill, Anth. Wharton, Daniel Lassells, Edm. Barstow, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Well yeomⁿ. for using the trade of a carpenter without legal apprenticeship ; a New Malton yeomⁿ. for using the trade of a brasavour etc. ; a case of stealing. [179^c.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[179^d.] ORDERS made etc.

£70. to be estreated for repairing the several country bridges that are now in decay ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £6. 13. 4. for the relief of prisoners in Yorke Castle ; John Durham of Ripon to be constituted and appointed gamekeeper* for Richmondshire and Northallertonshire, and the Thr^r. for Richmondshire to pay him the yearly sallary of £5. at Michaelmas and Lady Day by even and equall portions ; seventeen inhab^{ts}. of Hutton Rudby named to pay their several respective proportions to the relief of the poor there as the rest of the inhab^{ts}. are now assest ; [180.] the rates of Cropton and Cawthorne to be continued and paid as anciently and formerly they have been, notwithstanding any former Order to the contrary ; Sam. Beckwith of High Burton to be C. C. for Hang East *vice* Chr. Marshall ; upon the

* This is a very singular Order, as well as one by no means easy of explanation. Without any attempt to account for the origin of the Royal privilege, either earlier than, or subsequent to, the Conquest, it is sufficient to observe that it is “as a well-guarded privilege of the Sovereign’s office that we find the earliest restraints in the pursuit of wild animals in the feudal laws. . . . In the Anglo-Saxon law, while the pursuit of game is treated as a mere adjunct of the possession of land, there are very special precautions against infringements of the monarch’s right. In the secular ordinance of King Canute is this provision :—‘ and I will that every man be entitled to his hunting.’ . . . Taking as an admitted point that pursuing wild animals was originally a royal privilege, Blackstone gives a sketch of its extension to the landed gentry. . . . Alluding to the royal privilege, he says, ‘ From this root has sprung a bastard slip known by the name of the game law, now arrived to and wantoning in its highest vigour, both founded upon the same unreasonable notion of permanent property in wild animals, and both productive of the same tyranny to the commons ; but with this difference, that, while the forest laws established only one mighty hunter throughout the land, the game laws have raised a little Nimrod in every manor.’ ” But while, in many previous instances in this Records series we have heard of one “little Nimrod” after another with his own gamekeeper duly appointed, we have not before met with an instance of a gamekeeper appointed for two Wapentakes or Liberties, and with no definition at all of his “deputation.”

complaint of the Constable of Tirington: Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. there shall cast an ass^t. for paying him his disbursements; Mr. Tho. Paige, Thr^r., to pay £1. 15. to Henry Frankland, Esq., for reimbursing him what he laid out for Acts of Parliament and printing Orders against beggars; Mr. Tho. Paige to pay a man 20s. as a further gratuity for taking a poor boy apprentice; the house of John Priestman in Thornton is certified to this Court to be set apart for devine worship for use of the people called Quakers.

[180^b.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 16, 1700.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, and Will. Pennyman, Esquire.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—The Deputy Bailiff of Langbarugh for extortion under colour of his office; a case of perjury; three cases of stealing.

[182.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[183^b., 184.] Orders in five cases of settlement.

[185.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 30, 1700.

Before Sir Marm. Wivill, John Wastill, Rich. Peirse, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Will. Pennyman, Edm. Barstow, Daniel Lassells, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—Two men for assault on, and illegal imprisonment of, a woman; four cases of stealing. [186.] Three prisoners tried: two convicted and one acquitted.

[186^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thr^{rs}. to pay £6. 13. 4. towards the relief of the poor prisoners in Yorke Castle; an apprentice to be discharged from his apprenticeship, and his master to deliver up his indentures to the Overseers of Northallerton; the disputes about the ass^{ts}. of Kirkeleavington to be adjourned to the next Thirske Sessions, and both parties then and there to appear, and the Overseers to give a copy of the ass^t. to Mr. Maynard; Sam. Beckwith sworn C. C. for Hang East; [187.] the several C. C. to issue out their warrants to the respective Petty Constables

requiring them to make return in writing at the next Sessions after Michaelmas of the names, etc. of all persons betwixt the age of twenty-one and seventy years, etc.; [187^b.] Order in a bastardy case; £36. to be estreated and paid to the several C. C^s. for defraying the charges of conveying vagrants throughout this Riding pursuant to a late Act of Parliament; whereas by an Act of the 11 & 12 William III., intituled an Act for the more effectual punishment of vagrants, and sending them where by law they ought to be sent, it is enacted that from and after June 24th, 1700, if any vagabond, begger, or any other person whatsoever shall be brought to any Constable, Headborough, Tythingman, or other officer with any pass, testimonial, letter of request, or other writing whatsoever, pretending thereby either to be relieved or conveyed, that all and every such person and persons shall by such Constable or other officer, or some other sufficient person or persons whom he shall order or depute, be taken before some J.P. of every such county wherein they shall arrive, who inhabits or resides nearest the town or place where such persons shall first come, appear, or be brought before the Constable or other officer to be dealt withall as the said Act directs: and whereas amongst other things it is also enacted that in case any Constable neglect to apprehend such vagabond, etc., or be negligent or remiss in doing his duty by the said Act required, he shall for every such offence forfeit the sum of 30s., and as an encouragement to every Petty Constable to be vigilant in their duty, it is likewise directed by the said Act that the Justices before whom they bring such vagabond shall Order them sufficient allowance for their trouble and expence, to be paid by the C. C^s. for the hundred: now this Court taking into consideration the good effect this Act of Parliament may have towards the suppressing of vagrance if only put in execution, doth Order that all C. C^s., Petty Constables, and other officers within this Riding, be very diligent in their several stations in discharge of their duties herein, upon pain of incurring the penalty above mentioned, and what other punishment may be inflicted by this Court, and doth direct this Order to be printed and copies thereof sent to the several Petty Constables within this Riding, to the end none may pretend to an excuse for want of knowledge hereof.

[188.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 8, 1700.

Before Sir Bryan Stapleton, Sir Tho. Pennyman, John Wastill, Rich. Peirse, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot,

John Hutton, Rich. Darley, Fr. Wivill, Anth. Wharton, Will. Pennyman, Edm. Barstow, Daniel Lassells, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—Five persons of Pickhall-cum-Roakesby and two West Srafton lab^{rs}. for not repairing their fences; two Whitby sailors for fastening their boats to the jewills of Whitby Bridge; a Hutton Conyers lab^r. for keeping a greyhound; a Wikeam woman for scandalous words; a case of stealing. [191.] Two prisoners tried and acquitted.

[192^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Mr. Tho. Paige, Thr^r, to pay £3. 9. 2. to Mr. Tho. Thompson of the city of Yorke for his part of his sallary due from this Riding for five Assizes, determined the last Lammas Assizes; the moneys estreated and collected by the several C. C^s. for conveying passengers travelling by passes, according to a late Act, to be by them paid to the Thr^{rs}. at each respective Sessions; 32s. 6d. allowed for loss by fire; £50. to be estreated and paid to the Thr^{rs}. for conveying of vagerants through this Riding, pursuant to a late Act of Parliament; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £5. 2. 6. as a gratuity to Mr. Jas. Ward for his care in looking to Whitby Bridge; [193.] the Thr^{rs}. to pay to Mr. Jasper Barugh, C. C. for Hallikeld, £20., £10. of which is already expended, and £10. more to remain in his hands for conveying of vagerants pursuant to a late Act of Parliament; £1,102. 2. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$. to be estreated towards the re-building the common gaol at Yorke; upon hearing the dispute of the inhab^{ts}. of Kirke Leavington and their Councell about regulating their ass^{ts}.: Ordered that for the future all ass^{ts}. for the poor be made and laid there as they were in the year 1697, which was according to an ancient custom; all the freeholders of Hutton Rudby for the future to pay to the mentinance of the poor there according to ancient custom; 22s. 6d. allowed for loss by fire.

[194.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 14, 170 $\frac{9}{12}$.

Before Chas. Tancred, and Tho. Worsley, Esquires.

Rob. Constable, Esq., High Sheriff: Geo. Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments:—A Westerdale yeomⁿ. for not repairing a bridge; five cases of stealing.

[195^b.] ORDERS made etc.

A man to be carried back to the Ho. of Corrⁿ., and Mr. Wilson to

be considered for the keeping of him till the next Sessions, he being born upon the sea and not giving an acc^t. of his last legal settlement ; warrants to be sent out against the several Constables that have not made returns of their freeholders residing within their respective Constableries at the last Sessions ; Mr. Tho. Paige to pay £4. for the putting out two poor boys apprentices ; upon an appeal made to this Court by Elias Micklethwaite of Tirrington, Clerk, and Tho. Hays of Edston, gentⁿ., concerning the ass^{ts}. of Constable and poor laid upon their respective farms in Edston : upon a full hearing of the matter Ordered that their several and respective farms and the farm of Matth. Bowes, jun^r., in Edston, be hereafter assessed at the several and respective rates or value of £40. per annum in all ass^{ts}. hereafter to be made for the Constable of the said parish, unless the said Math. Bowes or other inhab^{ts}. of Edston shall shew cause etc.

[196.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 21, 170⁹₁.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, John Hutton, Anth. Wharton, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

[196^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Warrants to be sent out against the respective Constables that have neglected to make returns of their freeholders to serve as Jurors at the Assizes and Sessions ; information being given at these Sessions, and before, that a man of Humburton-cum-Milby is a man of evil behaviour, a common disturber of the peace in the neighbourhood where he lives, and hath lately in a barbarous manner beat and bruised his wife on her head and body when with quick child, by means whereof she brought forth a dead child and is in great danger (if she recover from death) to be a cripple as long as she lives : Ordered that the said man be commit to the common gaol for the county, the Keeper whereof is hereby required to receive him into his custody, etc. ; a Wawmire man to be Constable of Croft until another shall be chosen into that office, and to appear before some J.P. to take that oath for the due execution of that office, and in case of refusal, etc.

[200.] THIRSK.

Qu. Sessions at, April 29, 1701.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, John Gibson, John Wastill, Rich. Peirse, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Edm. Barstow, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The inhab^{ts}. of Kirby Wiske for not repairing their pinfold ; an Apleton man, a Kirkedale man, and a Kirbymoorreside woman for using the trade of chandlers, and a New Malton man for using the trade of a braszier without legal apprenticeship ; a Husthwaite yeomⁿ. and a Baldersby yeomⁿ. for keeping greyhounds ; three cases of stealing. [203.] Three prisoners tried and convicted.

[203^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thr^{rs}. to pay as a gratuity for repair of a bridge at Rainton ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £6. 13. 4. as a gratuity for repair of Nesse Bridge ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £6. 2. to Mr. Tho. Pickering for reimbursing him the money by him disbursed for the relief of prisoners in the King's Bench and Marshalsey in the years Tho. Pulleine, Will. Lowther, John Lambert, and Fairfax Norcliffe, Esquires, were High Sheriffs ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £2. 12. 6. to Henry Frankland, Esq., for reimbursing him what he by Order of this Court laid out for printing and sending out Orders against vagrants, and for a sett of the last year's Acts of Parliament ; the house of Ralph Reed's in Yarome, and Stephen Winne house in Patiericke Brompton, are certified to this Court to be set apart for devine worship for the people called Quakers ; [204.] £50. to be estreated and paid to the Thr^{rs}. for conveying of vagrants ; £551. 1. 2½. to be estreated for finishing the repair of the common gaol at Yorke ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay unto Mr. Geo. Storzaker £1. 2. 6. for defraying the charge which he was at in conveying a Humburton man from Richmond Sessions to Yorke Castle ; £60. to be estreated for the repair of Borrowbridge, Skipton, Thirske and several other decayed bridges ; Mr. Will. Ward, Surv'. of bridges, to pay to the inhab^{ts}. of Skiningrave out of the bridge money remaining in his hands £15. towards the building such a bridge there as he shall direct, and the said inhab^{ts}. of Skiningrave to finish the said bridge at their own charge ; Mr. Will. Barker of Cathericke to be C. C. for Hang East *vice* Edm. Jefferson, gentⁿ. ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay unto Mr. Wilson, Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske, £7. for defraying the charge of maintaining the

great number of prisoners he has had this winter; the house of Henry Clerke of Great Crakehall is set apart for devine worship for the people called Quakers.*

[205.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 15, 1701.

Before John Gibson, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A case of stealing; two cases of assault.

[206.] ORDERS made etc.

The house of John Snawden of Harome is certified to be set apart for divine worship for the people called Quakers; Ordered that the difference betwixt Elias Micklethwaite, Clerk, and Tho. Hays, gentⁿ, and Math. Bowes, touching their rates in ass^ts. for their lands at Edston be, by consent of Councell and parties, referred to two gentⁿ, so as they make their determination therein before the next Sessions: and in case they agree, that then they make a report of such their determination to be there confirmed, and in case they do not agree then this Court, Councell, and parties doth desire that John Hill, Esq., J.P., will take a hearing of the said differance, and view the lands belonging to the parties aforesaid, and finally end and determine the same, and make a report thereof to the next Sessions after the Feast of Christmas next, there to be confirmed, and that no advantage of any former Order of this Court be taken by either party.

[207.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 22, 1701.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Leon. Smelt, John Wastill, Rich. Peirse, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Edm. Barstow, Daniel Lassells, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Revelay, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A Thrintoft yeomⁿ. and a Brompton yeomⁿ. for using the trade of cutlers without legal apprenticeship; nine persons for keeping alehouses without licence.

* These Orders have now become sufficiently marked as well as numerous. See note on p. 166.

[208.] ORDERS made etc.

Will. Barker of Cathericke, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Hang East *vice* Edm. Jefferson, gentⁿ.; Jas. Lightfoot of Ridmer, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Hang West *vice* Will. Thornton, gentⁿ.; upon hearing the difference between the inhab^{ts}. of the several villages of Askrig, Little Newbigin, Nappa-cum-Nappa Skar, Woodhall-cum-Shalecoate, and Ballowfeild, and Councell on all sides, touching the maintenance of the poor within the said several villages: Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. of the said villages do separately maintain their own poor for the future pursuant to an Act of 13 & 14 Charles II.; an Askrig man and a Bainbrig man to appear before two Justices to give an acc^t. of what money they have received for the repair of several bridges within the townships of Askrig and Bainbrig aforesaid; £20. to be estreated for the repair of Grinton Bridge; Chr. Coates of Thornton-le-Beanes, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Allertonshire *vice* Tho. Kilvington, gentⁿ.; [208^b.] Order in a bastardy case.

[209.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 7, 1701.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Sir Rich. Osbaldston, Chas. Tancred, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, Will. Pennyman, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Reveley, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Sir Rob. Constable: Geo. Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presents:—None of interest.

[211.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thr^{rs}. to pay 42s. 6d. to an old Pickton man towards the repair of his houses burnt down by a violent lightening; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £1. 12. 6. to a Mawnby man for his good service done the country in apprehending some horse-stealers; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £5. as a gratuity for building a bridge at Romanby; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £6. 17. 5*3*₄. to Fr. Wyvill, Esq., to make good the deficiency of the land-tax within this Riding for this present year; [211^b.] £1. 12. 6. allowed for loss by fire; £10. to be estreated for repair of Whitby Bridge; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £20. 2. 6. to Mr. Jasper Barugh to be disburst for defraying the charge of conveying of vagrants, the disbursement of which sum he is required to give an acc^t. thereof, etc.; £50. to be estreated for defraying the charge of conveying of vagrants and paid to the Thr^{rs}. to be by them disburst accordingly; forasmuch as in pursuance of an

Order dated at Hemsley July 15, 1701, reciteing therein that, whereas there was then a difference betwixt Mr. Elias Micklethwaite, Mr. Tho. Hays, and Math. Bowes, about their rates, etc. for their lands in Great Edston, it was by consent of the parties and Councell on both sides Ordered by that Court that it should be referred to two gentⁿ. to inform themselves by the best ways and means of the true value of the lands of the said Mr. Micklethwaite, Mr. Hays, and Math. Bowes within the Constabulary of Edston aforesaid, and to order and determine the same, and to make a report etc., accordingly the said gentⁿ. did meet at Edston, August 13, 1701, and did inform themselves by viewing the lands and taking an estimate of the quantity what acres each close contains belonging to the said Tho. Hays and Math. Bowes, they did find, according to the best of their informations and judgements, that the lands of the said Tho. Hays and Math. Bowes are alike in value, and each at least equal in value to the lands of Mr. Micklethwaite, so did Order and determine that the said Mr. Micklethwaite, Mr. Hays and Math. Bowes shall be each of them assessed after the rate of £40. *per annum* for their lands in Great Edston. and this they did report to this Court to be their final order and determination in the premisses : this Court upon such their report doth confirm their award, and Order that the respective persons above mentioned be for the future assessed accordingly.

[213.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 13, 170 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Before John Gibson, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, Will. Pennyman, and Rich. Metcalfe, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Of the ordinary description ; two cases of stealing.

[215.] A prisoner tried and acquitted.

[215^b.] ORDERS made etc.

A Hutton Bushell man to pay 12*d.* weekly towards the relief of his mother until he shew cause etc. ; a Thornton man to pay 6*d.* weekly for the relief of his mother ; Ordered that the hearing and determination of the appeal of a Yarome man from the judgement of two Justices given against him for the sum of £83. 1. 4., being a penalty or forfeiture according to the laws and statutes of excise, and of duty on salt, be respite at his request he being not provided with Councell, and by consent of the prosecutor, until next Sessions, and that in the

mean time he do enter into such bonds as heretofore he did with the same, or like security with the like penalty of a former bond given upon that acc^t. for securing the said penalty or such other sum as upon hearing the said appeal shall be adjudged by him to be paid, and that he forthwith pay unto the prosecutors £5. towards defraying the charges of Councell, Sollicitors, and witnesses at these Sessions; the house of Mr. John Coulson in Newby (commonly called the School House) is certified to this Court to be set apart for divine worship for the people called Presbyterians*; the house of Mr. Coulson in Great Ayton is likewise set apart for religious worship for the same people.

[216.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 20, 170 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Before Sir Marm. Wyvill, Tho. Pullein, Anth. Wharton, Will. Reveley, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—None of interest.

[218^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thrs. to pay to Mr. Jasper Barugh, C. C. for Hallikeld, £25. 13. 6. for defraying the charge of conveying of vagrants throughout this Riding, and the said Mr. Barugh to give an acc^t. etc.; the appeal of Henry Loftas to the warrant of two Justices appointing him Overseer of the Poor for the out parish of East Witton (except Killgram and Jervalx) to be heard and determined at the next Sessions; whereas it appears to this Court by several informations taken on oath before a J.P., that, upon Wednesday, 22nd October last, a Starforth man had his dwelling-house feloniously broken by diverse persons to him unknown, who, notwithstanding all the resistance he and his family could make (in which he was dangerously bruised and wounded, and with the rest bound hand and foot), robbed him of £715., the loss of which money (most of it being due to diverse persons who had given him credit for catell, in which he has been known a great dealer for many years, and always reputed a very fair honest chapman)† has

* The first specific entry touching the denomination so called.

† The definition of this word given in the Cleveland Glossary is, “A dealer; one who enacts the part of a merchant, but in small matters only; one who buys and sells, indiscriminately; a pedlar or hawker”: from which it will be seen that, in these modern days, the use of the word has become somewhat indefinite. In the text we have the full and proper sense of the word—a merchant, a dealer—without limitation as to the nature of the goods dealt in, or of the amount or quantity changing hands.

utterly ruined and undone him and enforced him by reason of his said loss to seek for help and succor for the relief of himself and family : this Court therefore taking his said loss into consideration, [219^b.] and much commisserating his sad and deploreable condition, doth upon his humble petition (as far as lawfully may be done) earnestly recommend the same to the charitable consideration and benevolence of all well-disposed people within this Riding, desiring them to contribute towards his help and relief, and the Ministers and Churchwardens of the several parishes to promote the charitable work.

[220.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 14, the first year of the reign of our Lady Anne, by the Grace of God, Queen of England, etc.

Before Sir Marm. Wivill, John Gibson, John Wastill, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, Will. Pennyman, Edm. Barstow, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Reveley, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Sir Rob. Milford : Geo. Storzaker, Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—A Nether Silton gentⁿ. for refusal to pay an ass^t. ; two cases of trespass with damage ; a case of stealing ; a highway not repaired.

[221^b.] ORDERS made etc.

£7. to be estreated for the repair of Lune Bridge ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £5. as a gratuity towards the building a stone bridge at the place called Fleet Bridge, and the inhab^{ts}. of Stanley in the parish of Thornton to be at the rest of the charge to make it a sufficient horse bridge ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £5. as a gratuity towards the repair of Bolton Bridge and the causey-way* to it adjoining ; £10. allowed for loss by fire ; £140. to be estreated towards the repair of Whitby and other decayed bridges ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay the Constable of Bainbridge 15s. for conveying a vagrant from thence to Borrowbridge ; [222.] a motion being made for an alteration of the rates in ass^t. in the Constabulary of Thoraldby-cum-Newbigin : Ordered that the settlement of the said rates be referred to the next Sessions ; upon hearing the appeal of a Yarome man from the judgement of two Justices given against him : Ordered that the said judgement be reversed ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £3. 2. 6. to Mr. John Wilson for conveying prisoners to several Sessions and also to Yorke Castle ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay to Mr. Fr. Goulton ten guineas for his

* A curious reduplication is noticeable here. Causey itself is but the accelerated pronunciation of causeway, which causes the word in the text, when expanded, to become 'causeway-way.'

charges and pains in going to the Justices, Deputy Leivetenants and several other gentⁿ. to get an address signed ; the Thrs. to pay unto Mr. Tho. Story £3. 7. for his charges and pains in going to the several Justices, Deputy Leivetenants within this Riding about Orders for conveying seamen ; [222^b.] £20. to be estreated for conveying of vagerants ; the Thrs. to pay £15. to Mr. Jasper Barugh to remain in his hands for conveying vagerants ; the Thrs. to pay £3. to Henry Frankland, Esq., to remain in his hands for putting a vagerant boy out as apprentice to some trade ; £2. allowed for loss by fire ; an ass^t. not exceeding 6d. in the pound to be made upon the inhab^{ts}. of Burton-cum-Walden for repair of the highways, etc. ; [223.] to all Christian people to whom these presents shall come greeting : whereas this Court upon the petition of two Growmont men, the truth of which is certified by several Justices, Ministers and other gentⁿ., and likewise by many substantial freeholders and honest neighbours, that upon the 28th of February last past (between the hours of four and twelve in the night) there happened a sad and lamentable fire in Growmont in the parish of Egton, which sudainly burnt down and consumed a die-house, storehouse, press-house, and large barn, cow-house, and ox-house in which was consumed four oxen, four cows, and four calves, notwithstanding all the assistance that possibly could be made, by reason of the extreame violence of the flames, and in the die-house was burnt four hundred and odd yards of cloath and searges, a great quantity of yarne and wooll, with a large quantity of dieing stuff, coppers, and other utensils, in the barn was likewise consumed betwixt three and four hundred stooks of wheat, rie, oats, barley, and a quantity of hay, and also two stacks of hay adjoining the said housing, with very good plow geer and wain geer, the whole loss (by the computation of able and honest workmen and adjoining inhab^{ts}.) amounts to £478. 6. 8. to the utter ruin and undoing of the said men : and forasmuch as it is a godly and charitable deed to further, help, and relieve such poor, distressed, and miserable persons, none of us knowing how soon our condition may be such, and for that the bearers hereof are forced (by reason of their sad great loss) to seek for help and succour towards their relief and maintenance, and this Court being satisfied that their condition is such as is premised and moved with commiseration of this their sad and deplorable estate doth, so far as lawfully they may, recommend the same to his Grace the Lord Archbishop of Yorke to grant unto the said poor sufferers his licence and Order* to

* This is explanatory of a former mention of a reference to the Archbishop, and enables us to perceive in what way the said prelate was enabled to intervene in such cases. The whole Order is one of considerable interest, especially in a local connection ; but by no means exclusively so.

be read in the several and respective parish churches and chappells within the North Riding, on Sundays and other festivals, and that all Ministers and Curates do exhort and stir up their several parishioners to extend their charity in this behalf; [224^b.] £964. 7. 0½. to be estreated for finishing the repairs of the common gaol at the Castle of Yorke.

[224.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 14, 1702.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, John Gibson, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, John Hill, Rich. Darley, and Will. Pennyman, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A gauger of excise for extortion under colour of his office on two occasions; two cases of stealing; etc.

[226^b.] ORDERS made etc.

John Jackson of Lackenby, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Langbarugh *vice* John Ager, gentⁿ.; the Overseers of Stoxley to pay 2s. 6d. per week for the relief of a lunaticke, and also to pay 22s. 6d. to the Overseers of Westerdale for reimbursing them what they have expended about the maintenance of the said man; an apprentice to be discharged of his apprenticeship unless his master do shew cause etc.; a gratuity of 10s. to a Kirby man.

[227.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 28, 1702.

Before John Wastill, Rich. Peirse, John Hutton, Tho. Pulleine, Edm. Barstow, Daniel Lascells, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Reveley, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—Two Northallerton bricklairs for using the trade of plasterers without legal apprenticeship; a case of assault.

[228]. ORDERS made etc.

The Thrs. to pay £2. 6. 6. to John Hutton, Esq., to be disbursed as a gratuity amongst those persons who prosecuted a Bedall man for murther; the Thrs. to pay a gentⁿ. £2. 2. 6. as a gratuity for prosecuting two men for murther; the Thrs. to pay a man £2. 12. 6. as a gratuity for apprehending one of the said murderers; an ass^t. not exceeding 6d. in the pound to be made upon the inhab^{ts}. of Cayton

and Killerby for repair of the highways, etc.; [229.] whereas, upon a full hearing of the inhab'ts. of Thoraldby about the rates in their Constable ass'ts. it doth not appear that they have had any customary way of making such ass'ts.: Ordered that for the future all lands and tenements within the said Constabulary of Thoraldby be equally assessed to the Constable ass'ts.; the Th'rs. to pay to Mr. Jasper Barugh £12. 7. 6., to be disbursed by him for conveying of vagrants; whereas her Majesty has been graciously pleased to express her early care of her people in declaring her pious concern for the honour of God, the advancement of religion, and a general reformation of manners in this her kingdom by a general proclamation for the encouragement of piety and vertue, and for the preventing and punishment of vice, prophaneness, and imorallity, and thereby commanding all the laws against the neglect [of the] worship and service of God on the Lord's Day, blasphemey, prophane cursing and swearing, prophaneation of the Lord's Day, exessive drinking, lewdness, and bawdy houses, publick gaming houses and places, and other disorderly houses, and all dissolute, imorall, and disorderly practices, to be put in execution as a means of procuring the blessing of Almighty God to make her reign happy and prosperous to herself and her people: wee, therefore, her Majesty's Justices in Quarter Sessions assembled, receiving with great thankfulness and satisfaction those her Majesty's pious commands, do, in obedience thereto, unanimously resolve that we will put in the strictest execution all the laws against all persons who shall be guilty of the neglect of the worship and service of God on the Lord's Day, or of any of the offences and disorderly practices before named, and against all officers and persons who, contrary to their duty, shall be remisse and negligent in putting the said laws in execution: [229.] we do therefore hereby charge and strictly require all H. C's., Churchwardens, Petty Constables, and all other officers to be very diligent in making searches after such as shall offend in any of the cases before mentioned and to give information of all such persons as they shall find so offending before some J.P., that they may be dealt with according to law: and to the end the negligence, partiality, connivance, or under practices of any of the officers aforesaid may not prevent the discovery and due punishment which the laws have appointed to be inflicted on the said offenders, and which we, the said Justices, are bound and resolved to put in execution, we do therefore recommend it to all persons within this Riding, who shall at any time hereafter have knowledge of any such neglect, etc., of any officer aforesaid, and desire that they will give timely information thereof to some J.P., against all which officers so offending we will proceed to the utmost severity of law, as persons whose unfaithfulness in their office is very

mischievous to the public peace and a great encouragement of vice and immorality : and that all persons may take notice of this our Order, it is further Ordered that the Clerk of the Peace do forthwith cause a sufficient number of copies of this our Order to be printed, and to send a competent number of them to the several C. C^s, who are hereby strictly required to send them to the several Churchwardens and Constables within their respective devisions, which said officers are hereby commanded and charged to go with the said Orders to each public house or place where any strong liquors are sold and give the owners or keepers of the same notice of this our Order.

[230.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 6, 1702.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, John Gibson, John Aislabie, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Chas. Tancred, John Hill, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Rich. Darley, Fr. Wyvill, Will. Pennyman, Edm. Barstow, Daniel Lascells, Tho. Crofts, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Reveley, Will. Wakefeild, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments as usual :—Five cases of stealing. [232^b.] Four prisoners tried : three convicted and one acquitted.

[233.] ORDERS made etc.

The house of Will. Proud's in Wrelton is certified to be set apart for divine worship for the people called Quakers ; £30. to be estreated for the repair of Morton Bridge ; the Thrs. to pay a woman 10s. *per annum* for the damage she sustains by people going through her grounds adjoining upon Morton Bridge* ; £1. 2. 6. allowed for a loss by fire ; the Thrs. to pay unto Fr. Wyvill, Esq., £10. 5. 7. for making good the deficiency of the land-tax for this Riding in the year 1702, and the said Mr. Wivill is desired to send to each division within the said Riding duplicates of their ass^ts. for the year 1693 ; the Thrs. to pay unto Henry Frankland, Esq., £5. 9. for reimbursing him what he has laid out for Statute books and other things by Order of this Court ; [233^b.] £50. to be estreated and paid to the Thrs. for conveying of vagerants ; £20. to be estreated and paid to Mr. Jasper Barugh to remain in his hands for conveying of vagerants ; a woman to have 18d. weekly from her father and a like sum from her mother-in-law for the maintenance of herself and her children ; [234.] the house of Henry Skelton in Wrelton is certified to be set apart for divine worship for the people called Quakers.

* Under repair. But see also below, p. 191.

[234^b.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 12, 170².

Before John Gibson, Tho. Worsley, John Hill, Will. Pennyman, and Will. Reveley, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Sir Tho. Pennyman : Geo. Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—A Durham glover for practising the arts of cosuning, cheating, and playing at cards at New Malton ; a New Malton alehouse-keeper for permitting persons to use and play diverse unlawful cosuning and cheating games in his house ; a South Otterington blacksmith for counterfeiting and uttering halfpennies ; six cases of illegal seizure ; two cases of non-repair of highways ; a case of stealing.

[236^b.] ORDERS made etc.

A Comondale man to pay 6d. weekly to the relief of his mother ; Edw. Brignall house in Pickring is certified to be set apart for divine worship for Protestant Desenters ; £5. to be levied on the goods of a Barugh man for not repairing the highway for which he stands indicted ; [237.] These are to certify whom it doth or may concern that proof hath been made before her Majesty's Justices at these Sessions that Mr. John Atkinson did, in the beginning of the month of October last, put on board the ship called "The Friendship" of Whitby (Rob. Harrison, master) sixty tunn of salt at Cullercoates in Northumberland, to be conveyed by sea to the port of London, for which he paid, or secured to be paid, the duty due to her Majesty, and that the said ship with the salt aforesaid on board her was taken by a French privatere and afterwards lost upon the coasts of Holland with the said salt.*

[237^b.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 19, 170².

Before Sir Hugh Smithson, John Wastell, John Hutton, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

* There is no intimation whatever given in or with this entry such as to tend to the explanation of the object or meaning of it. There can be little doubt, however, that the intention implied is connected with a purposed application for return or recovery of the duty paid.

Presents :—A Cowburne weaver for not repairing his fences ; a case of stealing. [240^b.] Two prisoners tried and acquitted.

[241.] ORDERS made etc.

£50. to be estreated and paid to the Thrs. to be by them disbursed for conveying of vagerants* ; the Thrs. to pay £30. to Mr. Jasper Barugh to remain in his hands for conveying of vagerants ; [241^b.] a Forsit man to pay 14*d.* weekly for the relief of his mother.

[242.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 6, 1703.

Before Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Will. Hustler, John Gibson, Leon Smelt, John Wastell, Tho. Worsley, John Hill, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Edm. Barstow, Daniel Lacells, Will. Challoner, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Reveley, Will. Wakefeild, Will. Moor, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presents :—A Pickhall yeomⁿ. for not paying his servant's wages ; a North Otterington lab^t. for not repairing his fences ; a case of stealing ; &c.

[244^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Warrants to be issued out to all the Petty Constables to make returns of their freeholders within their respective Constableries to the several C. C^s., in which returns they are (as near as they can) to set down the value of each freeholder's estate, and to deliver such their returns to the said C. C^s. some convenient time before Michaelmas, to the end the said C. C^s. may, at the least a month before Michaelmas, carry the said returns to the next Justices to be perused and allowed of, and at Michaelmas Sessions the said C. C^s. are to deliver the said returns to this Court ; £5. 2. 6. allowed for loss by fire ; the Thr. for Richmondshire to pay a woman 10*s.* per annum for a way through her grounds at Morton Bridge end in the time of floods, to be paid at Easter Sessions yearly ; [245.] pursuant to the late Act for conveying of vagerants : Ordered that the Petty Constables shall have an allowance of 3*d.* per head for keeping vagerants a night and a day, and for conveying them to the confines of this Riding on horseback 1½*d.* per mile, and in any carriage 1*d.* per mile for each head ; the Thrs. to pay £7. 7. 6. for the repair of Morton Bridge ; £50. to be estreated and

* The enormous sums voted Sessions after Sessions for the purpose thus specified cannot but arrest our surprise equally with our attention.

paid to the Thirs^rs. for conveying of vagrants ; £30. to be estreated for repairing that part of Peirse Bridge which is within this Riding and several other bridges now in decay ; [245^b.] the Thirs^rs. to pay unto Mr. Jasper Barugh £15. 2. 6. for conveying of vagrants ; the house of Will. Burton in Cayton is certified to be set apart for divine worship for the people called Prespeterions ; [246.] at the general meeting held at Thirske by the Commissioners thereunto appointed for the Riding aforesaid, the 6th day of April, A.D. 1703, in pursuance of an Act of this present Parliament intitutled an Act for granting to Her Majesty a land-tax for carrying on the warr against France and Spain* : it is agreed that the sum of £26,450. 17., charged upon the said North Riding by the said Act shall be raised, levied and paid to Her Majesty

* By I Anne, Stat. 2, c. i., a land-tax was granted for carrying on the war against France and Spain, war having been proclaimed against the said two countries on May 4th, 1702. The tax was estimated to produce £1,979,931. 19. 1. Marlborough was appointed to the command of the allied armies, and speedily drove the French out of Venloo and Ruremond. He captured Liége on Oct. 23rd, returned to England soon after, was thanked in Parliament, and created a duke. Such is a brief *résumé* of the principal events preceding and connected with the great effort made by the North Riding in furtherance of the collection of the specified sum for the specified purpose. But it is probable that a fuller notice of the political situation will be thought desirable. The late king had died, " commanding Marlborough to Anne as the fittest person to lead her armies and guide her counsels. Three days after her accession the Earl was named Captain-General of the English forces at home and abroad, and entrusted with the entire direction of the war. His supremacy over home affairs was secured by the expulsion of the few remaining Whigs among the Ministers, and the construction of a purely Tory administration with Lord Godolphin, a close friend of Marlborough's, as Lord Treasurer, at its head. The Queen's affection for his wife ensured him the support of the Crown at a moment when Anne's personal popularity gave the Crown a new weight with the nation. In England, indeed, party feeling for the moment died away. The Parliament called on the new accession was strongly Tory ; but all save the extreme Tories were won over to the war now that it was waged on behalf of a Tory Queen by a Tory general, while the most extreme of the Whigs were ready to back even a Tory general in waging a Whig war. Abroad, however, William's death had shaken the alliance to its base. But the decision of Marlborough soon did away with this distrust. Anne was made to declare from the throne her resolve to pursue with energy the policy of her predecessor. The Parliament was brought to sanction vigorous measures for the prosecution of the war. The new general hastened to the Hague, received the command of the Dutch as well as of the English forces, and drew the German powers into the Confederacy with a skill and adroitness which even William might have envied. Never, indeed, was greatness more quickly recognized than in the case of Marlborough. . . . On taking the field in 1702 he at once resolved to force a battle in the heart of Brabant. The plan was foiled by the timidity and resistance of the Dutch deputies. But his resolute advance across the Meuse drew the French forces from that river, and enabled him to reduce fortress after fortress in a series of sieges, till the surrender of Liége closed a campaign which cut off the French from the Lower Rhine and freed Holland from all danger of invasion" (Green, iv. 81, 84). This then had been the posture of affairs at the period marked by the proceeding noticed in the present Minute.

out of the parts and weapentakes within the said North Riding according to the proportion following :

		£	s.	d.
Langbarugh West		2,487	14	2
Langbarugh East		1,877	6	11
Gilling West Weapentake		2,506	8	4
Gilling East Weapentake		1,928	1	0½
Richmond Burrough		111	4	0
Allertonshire Weapentake		1,899	2	10
Birdforth Weapentake		2,341	0	4
Hang West Weapentake		1,406	9	5
Hang East Weapentake		1,756	13	1
Hallikeld Weapentake		1,129	15	8
Whitby Strand Weapentake		773	11	6
Bulmer Weapentake		4,153	15	6
Ridale Weapentake		2,051	6	2
Pickring Lyth Weapentake		1,759	2	2
Scarborough Town and Liberty		268	2	0
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		<u>£26,449</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>1½</u>
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And whereas the sum of £1. 3. 11. is wanting to compleate the said sum of £26,450. 17. it is hereby further Ordered by the said Commissioners that the said sum of £1. 3. 11. shall be paid to Her Majesty's Receiver-General by the Thrs^r. for the said North Riding : subcribed by Will. Robinson, W. Hustler, Roger Talbot, J. Gibson, Tho. Worsley, D. Lascells, W^m. Reveley, Will. Kitchingman, Will. Baynes, Hen. Frankland, Rich^d. Metcalfe, Leo. Smelt, Geo. Wright, John Wastell.

[VOL. A⁹. 1.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 13, 1703.
Before John Gibson, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, John Hill, Will. Moore, and Rob. Ward, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Thornton lab^r. for keeping a greyhound and killing a hare on the Lord's Day ; a Whitby man and woman for pouring out a large quantity of fish pickle in Grape Lane, the pernicious and unwholesome smell of which corrupted and still corrupts the air ; four cases of assault, and a case of trespass with damage.

[3.] ORDERS made etc.

A woman who appears to this Court to be a very lude and disorderly person, threatening to burn houses and to do her neighbours bodily harm, to be secured by the Constable and Overseer of Ayton from going into the country (being a lunaticke) and to be provided for etc. ; Will. Nesse of Kirbymooreside sworn C. C. for Ridale *vice* Mr. Henry Otterburne ; a Welberry man to pay 1*2d.* weekly towards the maintenance of his grandchild ; [3^b.] the ass^t. made by the inhab^{ts}. of Aislaby for the maintenance of the poor there and allowed by two Justices to be confirmed, and for the future all the lands within the said township to be assessed according to the proportions of the said ass^t. ; Mr. Paige, Thr^r, to pay 7*s.* to the Constable of Hemsley for conveying a vagrant to the confines of the county of Durham.

[5.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions at, July 27, 1703.

Before John Aislaby, John Wastell, Rich. Peirse, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbut, John Hutton, Edm. Barstow, Daniel Lascells, Rich. Metcalfe, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—None of interest.

[6.] ORDERS made etc.

Will. Atkinson, sen^r., of Hawkeswell to be C. C. for Hang West *vice* Marm. Theakston ; a gentleman's recog^e. respited, the person whom he was bound to prosecute having made his escape ; the Thr^rs. to pay to Mr. Jasper Barugh £45. towards the defraying of charges for conveying of vagrants ; £50. to be estreated and paid to the Thr^rs. for conveying of vagrants.

[7.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 5, 1703.

Before Sir Will. Robinson, Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbut, Daniel Lascells, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Reveley, Will. Wakefeild, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Two Northallerton lab^rs. for using the trade of a

grocer without legal apprenticeship; the Constable of Mikleton for neglecting his office; five cases of non-repair of highways.

[9^b.] ORDERS made etc.

These are to certify whome it doth or may concern that Will. Lyth of Whitby, marriner, master of the ship called *John* of Whitby, hath made oath at these Sessions that on the 18th day of September last he did put on board his said ship forty-two bushells of salt of his own at Sunderland to be conveyed by sea to the port of Whitby, for which he paid or secured to be paid the duty due to Her Majesty, and that the said ship with the salt aforesaid on board did perish at sea; £80 to be estreated for the repair of Masham, Burne, Gromond and several other bridges; a warrant against the Constable of Kirby Hill for being negligent in the execution of his office; the Thr^s. to pay a man 40s. as a gratuity for his good service done the country in apprehending and prosecuting several felons; [10.] Mr. Will. Atkinson of Hawkswell sworn C. C. of Hang West *vice* Mr. Marm. Theakston; £50. to be estreated for conveying vagrants; £3. 13. 2. to be paid for the repair of Morton Bridge; £5. 2. 6. allowed for loss by fire; the Thr^s. to pay £50. to Mr. Jasper Barugh for defraying the charge of conveying of vagrants through this Riding.

[11.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 11, 1703.

Before John Gibson, Tho. Worsley, John Hill, Will. Moore, Esquires, and Rob. Warde, Clerk.

High Sheriff, Tho. Pulleine, Esq.: Geo. Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments:—None of interest.

[12.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas by an ass^t. made April first last for raising 12s. 6d. per quarter within the township of Kirby Misperton for the relief of the poor, Mr. Leon. Conyers, Clerk, was assessed for his tithe and gleeb 2s. 9d. per quarter, which seems to this Court to be an overcharge: Ordered that for the future the said Mr. Conyers be assessed only after the rate of 2s. to 12s. 6d. in the whole, unless cause be shewed etc.

[13.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 18, 1704.

Before Sir Hugh Smithson, Leon. Smelt, John Hutton, Rich. Metcalfe, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Two cases of stealing. [14.] Two prisoners tried : one acquitted and one convicted.

[14^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Rich. Daggit of Ainderby Wearnhow to be C. C. for Hallikeld *vice* Mr. Jasper Barugh ; an ass't., not exceeding 6d. in the pound, to be made upon the inhab'ts. of the Constabulary of Banebridge for repair of the highways etc. ; [15.] a Baldersdale alehouse-keeper suppressed.

[16.] THIRSK.

Qu. Sessions at, April 25, 1704.

Before John Wastell, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, Rich. Staines, Will. Reveley, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Edm. Barstow, Daniel Lassells, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Moore, Geo. Wright, Esquires, and Rob. Warde, Clerk.*

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Nine cases of non-repair of highways.

[20.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas the servant of a Stockton woman, December 24, 1702, was robbed within the weapentake of Hang West of £31., and he having levied hue and cry etc., and his said mistress having since brought her action against the inhab'ts. of the said weapentake and obtained judgement for the said £31. and £13. costs, which, together with two bills for charges in the defence of the said suite, shewed to this Court and allowed of, amounts to £70. 12. 7. : this Court, therefore, to avoid execution being brought and levied upon the goods of any particular person and the charges and inconvenience that may thereby ensue, doth recommend it to the inhab'ts. of the said weapentake, and advise and desire that the said sum of £70. 12. 7. be forthwith estreated throughout the said weapentake, and paid to the C. C. for discharging

* This is the first occurrence of a Clerk—"in Holy Orders," it must of necessity be assumed—acting as a Justice, that has so far been met with ; excepting only a certain dignitary many years back.

the said judgment and costs and other charges above-mentioned ; £17. 13. to be estreated throughout the weapentake of Gilling East for reimbursing the costs at law of a suite or action brought against the said weapentake upon a statute of hue and cry, and the same to be paid to Mr. Rob. Rakes, attorney for the inhab^{ts}. of the said weapentake ; £120. to be estreated for repair of Cathericke and other bridges ; [20^b.] upon hearing the complaint of the owners and occupiers of Brompton Moore lands, that they are overcharged in their ass^{ts}. within the township of Brompton, and what the inhab^{ts}. of the town of Brompton aforesaid could say for their being so assessed : Ordered that for the future the town lands in all manner of ass^{ts}. shall be assessed after the rate of £7. an oxgang, and the moore lands after the rate of £5. an oxgang,* and so proportionably for a

* This is an Order which involves considerations such in their nature as to call for passing notice. It is a little unfortunate that we are unable to say definitely which of the North Riding Bromptons it is which is here concerned, as in that case more definite statements might be ventured. But what is perfectly apparent is that systematic enclosure had been proceeding here, and, it is open to inference, not so very long before the date of the present Sessions. That the "town lands" were identical with the original "common" or "open fields" of the township there can, of course, be no question ; and it follows that, as adopted as the *campus communis* of the ancient system, they comprised the best and most easily cultivable portions of the township area. But as the agricultural system or systems began to be sensibly improved, and population began to increase, it became also alike possible and expedient to reclaim other lands, hitherto looked upon as unprofitable, save only in connection with the pasturage of stock, and the procuring of house-bote, hedge-bote, and fire-bote—in other words, of timber for repairing or rebuilding, brushwood for fencing, and wood or turf for fuel. The entire history of the process of Enclosure in the North Riding remains to be written, and a most interesting chapter in the chronicles of the country will be supplied when the subject is taken up by a capable inquirer, and one who is, at the same time, an adequate scholar as to such matters. It must suffice here to say, that, in many parts of this district, as elsewhere in the North Riding, enclosure of hitherto waste, common, or moor lands began many generations—not to say two or three centuries—before "Enclosure Acts" were so much even as thought of. In districts where the conditions of proprietorship—as I must, for want of a better word, be permitted to term it—were such as to allow of the course (and such districts were by no means rare), the said course was for the Lord, acting through his Bailiff (or Seneschal, as the case might be), with the advice and consent of the formal representatives of the township or vill, to set out such and such portions of the common for enclosure by this or that member of the community. This mode of procedure was still in operation in the parish—one comprising between 23,000 and 24,000 acres of land—in which this is written, as late as 1656 ; and in the adjoining parish, one of almost larger area still, it obtained (as has been noted in an earlier volume of these Records) many years earlier yet. And some of the lands that have been, and are, enclosed in this place, in virtue of the said system, are of such a character that they only admit of being ploughed one way, or down-hill. The plough goes up "empty"—that is, no attempt at tracing a furrow is made. This will illustrate the comparatively lighter rate at which it was fair to assess the "moore lands" of the present entry. But there is yet another noticeable matter connected with the said entry : and that is, that for the newly-reclaimed lands,

greater or lesser quantity ; the Thirs. to pay Mr. John Wilson, Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske, £7. 2. 6. by him expended in repairing the said House ; £10. 2. 6. and £2. 2. 6. allowed for losses by fire ; the Thirs. to pay to Mr. Calvert, Master of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond, £3. 2. 6. for and towards reimbursing him the charges he hath been at in maintaining two persons in the said house ; the House of Abram Armitage of New Malton and the house of Jas. Gildersleere of Whitby are certified to be set apart for divine worship for the people called Protestant Dissenters.

[21.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 11, 1704.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, Tho. Worsley, John Hill, Will. Pennyman, Will. Challener, Will. Moore, Esquires, and Rob. Warde, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A case of perjury.

[22.] ORDERS made etc.

Five vagrants sent to their homes ; a warrant against the Constable of Gilling for being negligent in the execution of his office.

[23.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 18, 1704.

Before John Wastell, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbutt, John Hutton, Edw. Bastow, Daniel Lascells, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Reveley, and Rowland Norton, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Four yeomⁿ. for not repairing their fences.

[23^b.] ORDERS made etc.

John Whitey of Walden to be C. C. for Hang West *vice* Mr. Jas. Lightfoote ; the House of Roger Skelton in Middleham is certified to be set apart for divine worship for the people called Protestant Dissenters ; the Thirs. to pay Mr. Jasper Barugh £9. 14. 2. for reimbursing him his money laid out for conveying of vagrants ; there is a house at

as well as for those which had been under cultivation “time out of the memory of man,” the measurement “by oxgang” still prevailed—a fact quite worthy of note and consideration.

Aisgarth in Wensdale certified to this Court to be set apart for divine worship for the people called Quakers ; warrants to be issued to the Petty Constables to make returns of their freeholders, in which returns they are, as near as they can, to set down the value of each freeholder's estate, and to deliver such returns to the C. C^s. at some convenient time before Michaelmas, that the said C. C^s. may at the least a month before Michaelmas carry the said returns to the next Justices to be perused and allowed of, and at Michaelmas Sessions are to deliver the said returns to this Court ; £30. to be estreated and paid to the Thrs^s. to be by them disbursed for conveying of vagrants.

[24.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 3, 1704.

Before Sir Will. Robinson, John Aislaby, John Wastell, Rich. Staines, Roger Talbott, John Hutton, Will. Pennyman, Daniel Lascells, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Reveley, Rowland Norton, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—None of interest.

[25^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The house of Chr. Dixon of Morton in the parish of Rookeby is certified to be set apart for divine worship for the people called Quakers ; John Whitey of Walden, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Hang West *vice* Mr. Jas. Lightfoot ; £5. to be paid by the Thrs^s. to the inhab^{t_s}. of Mount Grace and Ingleby Arncliffe for the repair of Stadle Bridge ; £2. 18. 6. to be paid to Mr. John Kilvington for reimbursing him the money by him laid out for the maintenance of prisoners in the King's Bench and Marshalsey in the two years that Sir Tho. Pennyman and Rob. Mitford, Esq., were High Sheriffs ; several complaints having been made to this Court by several of the inhab^{t_s}. of the township of Brompton of the great inequality of the petit or small ass^{t_s}. for the poor, Constable taxes, and Church rates, some of the said inhab^{t_s}. alledging to this Court that they are charged more for their land than others are for lands in the said township of double the value : Ordered that all ass^{t_s}. to the Church, Constable, poor, highways and all other small ass^{t_s}. shall from henceforth be assessed and laid on according to the same rate and in the same proportions as the lands in the said township are now charged to the land tax ; [26.] £33. to be paid to Mr. Jasper Barugh to reimburse his charge of vagrants ; £50. to be estreated for that use ; £42. 6. to be paid to Mr. John Wilson for defraying the charge

of keeping and conveying vagrants to the Sessions ; Ordered that the Petty Constables shall only be allowed 2*d.* per head a day and night for keeping vagrants, and for conveying them to the confines of this Riding either by horse-back or in any carriage, 1*d.* a mile, and no such allowance to be given until the Constable produce a receipt from the Constable he delivered them to, conteyning the number delivered.

[27.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 9, 170*4*.

Before John Gibson, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, and John Hill, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Godfrey Bosvill, Esq. : Geo. Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—None of sufficient interest.

[28^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The house of Chr. Thurnams in Crake is certified to be set apart for divine worship for the people called Quakers ; an ass^t. not exceeding 6*d.* in the pound, to be made upon the inhab^{ts}. of the Constabulary of New Malton for the repair of the highways, etc. ; [29.] A like Order for the Constabulary of Keldam ; the houses of Geo. Dickinson in Surington, of Will. Spence of New Malton, of John Beilby of Old Malton, and of Jas. Adamson of Newton are set apart for divine worship for the people called Protestant Discenters ; a gratuity of 10*s.* to a L. S. ; [29^b.] Will. Poad of Thornton sworn C. C. for Pickering Lyth *vice* Sam. Harding ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay to Mr. Tho. Story £2. 5. 6. for going to several of the Justices to get them to set their hands to an address ; warrants to be sent out against the Constables that made no returns of their freeholders.

[30.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 16, 170*4*.

Before John Hutton, Tho. Pulleine, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Daniel Key of Startforth, schoolmaster, for not going to the parish church and for teaching without licence from the Bishop of the diocese.

[30^b.] ORDERS made etc.

£40. to be paid to Mr. Jasper Barugh for conveying of vagrants ; £50. to be estreated for that use ; upon the complaint of Mrs. Wyvill that she is overcharged in the rates of ass^{ts}. within the Constabulary of North Otterington for her lands there : Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. of North Otterington do appear at the next Sessions to shew cause why the said Mrs. Wyvill should not have an abatement, and be assessed equally by pound rate with the rest of the neighbourhood in the ass^{ts}. hereafter to be made within the said Constabulary, and this Order, or a copy of it, to be delivered to the Constable or Parish Off^{rs}. there ; a warrant against the Surv^{rs}. for highways for the Constabulary of Bainbridge to answer their contempt of an Order.

[31.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 17, 1705.

Before Sir Will. Robison, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, Leon. Smelt, John Aislaby, John Wastell, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Worsley, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Will. Pennyman, Edm. Barstow, Daniel Lascels, Will. Revely, Rowland Norton, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :— Daniel Key of Startforth, schoolmaster, for not going to the parish church and for teaching without licence from the Bishop of the diocese ; the inhab^{ts}. of Cathericke for not repairing their pinfold ; two cases of stealing.

[33.] ORDERS made etc.

£4. 5. allowed for losses by fire ; £100. to be estreated for Egton and other bridges ; the house of Edw. Walker in Rainton set apart for divine worship for the people called Quakers ; there is a house in Bilsedale called by the name of Abbot House, certified to be set apart for divine worship for the people called Quakers ; all ass^{ts}. within the Constabulary of North Otterington to be heareafter made to be equally laid by pound rate ; [33^b.] Mr. Leon. Conyers, Rector of Kirby Misperton, to be assessed for the future in the Constable ass^{ts}. and those for the poor, proportionably as he hath been heretofore for his tithes there ; Anth. Frankland of Richmond, gentⁿ., to be allowed to keep a gun for his necessary defence and fowling only.

[34.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 10, 1705.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, Will. Pennyman, Daniel Lascells, Will. Chaloner, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A case of stealing.

[34.] ORDERS made etc.

A Snainton alehouse-keeper, being a Baliffe within the liberty of Pickering Lyth, to be suppressed from selling ale or bear in his now dwelling-house or elsewhere, and the Constable of Snainton to repair to the said alehouse-keeper and to charge him to surcease from keeping an alehouse or tippling house, and from commonly selling ale or bear, which if he refuse to do he is immediately to be dealt withal as an unlicensed alehouse-keeper, any licence to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding ; there is a house in Hutton Bushell set apart for religious worship ; the houses of Chr. Tiplady of Tockets, and of John Stamper of Guisbrough are set apart for religious worship.

[35.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions at, July 17, 1705.

Before Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, John Aislaby, John Wastel, Rich. Bares, Tho. Worsley, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Tho. Pulleine, Edm. Bastow, Daniel Lascells, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Reveley, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A case of stealing. [36.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[36^b.] ORDERS made etc.

An apprentice discharged of his apprenticeship, his master being imprisoned for debt without hopes of release ; [37.] the house of John Janson of Northallerton is set apart for religious worship.

[38.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 2, 1705.

Before Sir Brian Stappleton, Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, John Aislaby, Tho. Worsley, John Hill, Roger Tal-

bot, John Hutton, Daniel Lascells, Will. Reveley, Rowland Norton, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—Two cases of stealing. [39^b.] Four prisoners tried: two convicted and two acquitted.

[40.] ORDERS made etc.

The Trustees for the repair of Whitby peers having presented their acc'ts. to this Court: Ordered that Mr. Will. Ward of Guisbrough do peruse and examine the said acc'ts. before the next Sessions and make his report etc.; £5. 2. 6. allowed for losses by fire; Valentine Kitchingman, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Birdforth *vice* his father, Mr. Rich. Kitchingman; the sufferers by fire at Malton to have £5. paid by the Thr's., and a letter of request; the houses of Rob. Hallstead and Will. Spencer, both in New Malton, are set apart for religious worship for the people called Protestant Discenters and regristed [registered] accordingly; the Thr's. to pay two men £13. 6. 8. for their good service done the country in apprehending several persons suspected and accused for coyning; the wandering vagrant beggar who is or pretends to be dumb to be whipt and sent to North Sheilds in Northumberland, where, by the signes she doth make, she was last legally settled; [40^b.] the Thr's. to pay £1. 2. 6. to Mr. John Calvert for the repair of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond.

[41.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 15, 1705.

Before John Gibson, Tho. Worsley, John Hill, Roger Talbot, Daniel Lascells, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Reveley, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff, Sir Math. Peirson: Geo. Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments:—An Ebberston yeomⁿ. for using the trade of a butcher without legal apprenticeship; a case of stealing.

[45.] ORDERS made etc.

The houses of Will. Story in Wrelton, Mr. Jas. Gildershewes in Robin Hood's Bay, Rob. Pennock of Cropton, John Halder of Pickering, Will. Hick of Kirbymoorreside, Ralph Harrison of Pickering, and Geo. Peirson in Rosedale are set apart for divine worship for Protestant Discenters; 10s. allowed for a loss by fire; the Thr's. to pay Mr. Tho. Story £2. 12. 6. for going to several Justices with a letter from the Councill about raising recruits.

[46.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 22, 170⁵₆.

Before Leon. Smelt, John Hutton, Tho. Pulleine and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—None of interest.

[47^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Mr. Tho. Fall of Ainderby Whearnhowe to be C. C. for Hallikeld *vice* Mr. Jasper Barugh ; Mr. Will. Warwicke, Thr^r., to pay 40s. as a gratuity for building a bridge at Helwith leading to the market towns of Askrigg, Reeth and Barnycastle ; the house of Mrs. Ellinor Barker, in Swaledale is set apart for religious worship for Protestant Dissenters.

[48.] THIRSK.

Qu. Sessions at, April 2, 1706.

Before Sir Will. Fowlis, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Daniel Lascells, Will. Chaloner, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Reveley, Rowland Norton, Geo. Wright, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A case of stealing. [50.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[50^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The houses of Rob. Humphrey in Aimerby, Marg^t. Jefferson in Yowton, and John Lumley of Cold Kirby are set apart for divine worship for the people called Quakers or Protestant Dissenters ; 42s. 6d. allowed for loss by fire ; the Thr^r. to pay £5. 2. 6. as a gratuity towards the repair of Mr. Mennel's bridge betwixt Bramber and Thrintoft ; Mr. Leon. Spensley of Hall Gatenby to be C. C. for Gilling West *vice* Fr. Weatherill ; [51.] the Thr^r. to pay £5. 2. 6. as a gratuity towards the repairing of Lownay Bridge ; £100. to be estreated for the repair of Topcliffe and other bridges ; these are to certify whom it doth or may concern that Leon. Hart of Whitby, marriner, master of the ship called *Merchants' Adventure* of Whitby aforesaid, hath made oath at these Sessions that, March 25 last, he did put on board his said ship 420 bushells of salt of his own at Seaton Sluce in Northumberland, to be conveyed by sea to the port of Burlington, for which he paid or secured to be paid the duty due to her Majesty : and that the said ship with the salt aforesaid on board

her did perish at sea; the Thrs. to pay Mr. Tho. Story £2. 10. for going to the several Justices etc.; Brompton ass'ts. referred to two Justices who are to make their report etc.; the Thrs. to pay £1 10. 6. to Mr. Tho. Pickering, being by him disbursed for relief of prisoners in the King's Bench and Marshalsey in the year that Tho. Pulleine, Esq., was High Sheriff; Orders in two bastardy cases.

[52.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 25, 1706.

Before Sir Will. Fowlis, Sir Tho. Pennyman, John Hill, Will. Pennyman, Will. Chaloner, Will. Moore, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentment:—A case of stealing.

[53.] ORDERS made etc.

At this Sessions came Leon. Hart of Whitby, master and marriner, being a subject of this realm of England, and made proof by an affidavit in writing and now sworn unto in open Court by John Hill of Whitby, aged sixty years, mate of the vessel or ship called the *Merchants' Adventure*, and Jas. Whitt, marriner in the same vessel, aged twenty years, that, March 25 last, there was shipt on board the said vessell in the port of Seaton Sluice in Northumberland 820 bushells of white salt, being consigned to the said Leon. Hart in the port of Bridlington, for which duty had been paid, and that the said John Hill and Jas. Whitt in the said vessel, March 27 last, in the night time, proceeding on their voyage the said 820 bushells of salt so shipt as aforesaid were lost on the Salt Scars in Yorkshire shoar by violent and stormy weather, and was not occasioned by any leakage of the said vessel or by any negligence or defalt of the said deponents, or the master of the said vessell, or any of the marriners as by the said affidavit filed amongst the records of the said Sessions plainly appeareth.

[54.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 30, 1706.

Before John Wastell, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Edm. Bastow, Daniel Lascells, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Reveley, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Melsonby woman for scandalous words : “Thou art a cheating rogue and a knave, and draws false and counterfitt bonds, and thou hath cheated my husband and taken a false bond of him, and my sister and I will prove it”; another Melsonby woman for scandalous words against the first : “ You have milked my cow ”; Will. Liddell, gentⁿ., Will. Crisp, yeomⁿ., and Fr. Thompson, yeomⁿ., of Wiccliffe for not going to the parish church ; a case of stealing. [56.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[56^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas a former Order was made for referring the ass^{ts}. of Brompton to two Justices : upon their report Ordered that the inhab^{ts}. of Brompton for the future in all ass^{ts}. for the Constable and the poor shall be assessed after an equal rate pursuant to the statutes of the 43rd of Elizth. and the 13th and 14th of Chas. II. ; Leon. Spenceley of Hall Gate sworn C. C. for Gilling West *vice* Fr. Weatherill ; a warrant against the Constable of Kirby Hill for neglecting his duty in conveyance of vagrants ; [57.] Ordered that the Justice of the Peace’s Clark shall be only allowed 1s. for writing a bill and warrant about conveyance of vagrants, and 6d. for the Constable for going to the J.P., and no guide money to be allowed ; the Thir^r. to pay Mr. Barfe £30. for conveying of vagrants ; £50. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants.

[58.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 8, 1706.

Before Sir Will. Robinson, John Wastell, John Hill, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Will. Reveley, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Thornton man for stopping a way with a locked gate ; three Whitby women for being accessory to a felony ; two cases of stealing.

[60.] ORDERS made etc.

The C. C^s. of Pickering Lyth to pay a man 6s. 8d. *per annum* for scouring and keeping the river clean at Yedingham Bridge ; Will. Dickenson, gentⁿ., sworn Coroner for Whitby Strand ; £4. 5. allowed for losses by fire ; Mr. Ward, Surv^r. of Bridges, to view the bridge over Pickhall and make an estimate of what the charge will be, and this Court will allow a third part of such sum as Mr. Ward will think requisite for that repair ; Chr. Gregg of Ilton to be C. C. for Hang East ; [60^b.] the Constable of Kirby Hill to be allowed 2s. for guide

money to Neesom, and 4*s.* to Brough, 6*d.* to be allowed to the Constable for going to the J.P., and 12*d.* to be allowed to the Justices' clerk; £2. 10. to be paid to Mr. Tho. Story for carrying Orders from the Custos Rotulorum to the several Justices of the North Riding; £5. to be paid to Mr. Golton for service done; £20. to be estreated for vagrant money; the Thrs. to pay £20. to Mr. Jasper Barugh for conveyance of vagrants; the houses of Rob. Sunley and Jas. Williamson of Hemsley, and the houses of John Davison and Will. Dodsworth of Nawton, and likewise the houses of Rich. Suggit and Will. Foster of Kirby, set apart for religious worship for the people called Protestant Discenters.

[61.] HELMESLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 14, 170 $\frac{6}{7}$.

Before John Gibson, Tho. Worsley, and Hugh Cholmley, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Sir Roger Beckwith: Tho. Hardcastle, gent^{n.}, Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments:—A Pockley lab^{r.} for using the trade of a mason without legal apprenticeship; three cases of stealing. [62^{b.}] Two prisoners tried: one acquitted and one convicted.

[64.] ORDERS made etc.

The houses situate, one in Spawnton, and another in Moresham, was certified to this Court to be set apart for divine worship for the people called Quakers, and likewise registred accordingly; the Thrs. to pay unto Mr. Story £3. 2. 6. for his journey in carrying and conveying letters from the Councill to the several Justices in relation to the raising recruits; a Cold Kirby man to pay 6*d.* per week towards the relief of his aged father; the house of John Reddid in Pickering is set apart for divine worship for Protestant Discenters and likewise registred accordingly.

[65.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 21, 170 $\frac{6}{7}$.

Before Leon. Smelt, John Wastell, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—The Bailiff of Richmondshire for extortion.

[66.] ORDERS made etc.

Fr. Breckinbrough appeared at these Sessions and took the oath of a gauger, as also the oath to her Majesty, and the abjuration oath ; the Thrs. to pay Mr. Jasper Barugh £13. ; Chr. Gregg of Ilton sworn C. C. of Hang East *vice* Sam. Beckwith ; the Order made for the payment of £5. *per annum* to John Durham to be vacated ; whereas, notwithstanding the frequent good laws made against immorality and profaneness, and notwithstanding to give due notice of the same, the proclamation concerning the said Acts are [*sic*] directed to be read quarterly at the Sessions and respective churches, yet several dissolute persons do continue to absent themselves from their parish churches, which are not dissenters from the servise of the Church of England, which practice is notoriously known to be the grand occasion of the said immoral practices : this Court doth therefore Order that the several Petty Constables do give in lists to the respective C. C^s. of the names of all such persons who (not being Dissenters from the Church of England) do frequently absent themselves from their parish churches to hear divine servise, and that the said C. C^s. do return the said lists to the Justices at the next Sessions.*

[67.] THIRSK.

Qu. Sessions at, April 22, 1707.

Before Sir Will. Fowlis, Sir Tho. Pennyman, John Wastell, Tho. Worsley, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Will. Pennyman, Daniel Lascells, Will. Moor, Tho. Metcalfe, Esquires, Fr. Pemberton, and Rob. Ward, Clerks.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A case of stealing. [68.] A prisoner tried and acquitted.

[68^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The houses of Rob. Jackson called Broughton Grainge, and of Peter Donaldson called Alderbeck, both in the parish of Kirby, and the house of John Leavens in Great Ayton set apart for reigious worship for Protestant Dissenters etc. ; Rich. Dixon, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. for Hang West ; Order in a bastardy case ; [69.] £200. to be estreated and paid to Mr. Will. Ward, Surv^r. of bridges, to be by him disbursed for the repair of Rotherford, Greaty [Greta] and several other bridges ; £50. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants ; [69^b.] £6. to be given as a gratuity for making Skinigrave Bridge ; £8. to be paid by the Thrs. to Henry Frankland, Esq., for statute books and other

* A very curious and noteworthy entry.

things ; a warrant against an Easingwold man to answer his taking and deteyning his son from his lawful master ; a warrant against Mr. Jas. Sayer to answer such things as by her Majesty's behalf shall be objected against him touching his speaking some scandalous words against the late King William.

[70.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 15, 1707, the sixth year of the reign of our Lady Anne, Queen of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, etc.

Before Sir Will. Fowlis, Sir Tho. Pennyman, Will. Pennyman, Will. Moore, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Glaizdale mason for being a common barrator etc. ; two cases of stealing.

[71^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The house of John Porter in Topcliffe set apart for divine service for Quakers ; an ass^t. not exceeding 6d. per pound to be made by the inhab^{ts}. of Whitby for the repair of their highways ; the like Order for the inhab^{ts}. of Yarome ; upon complaint made by a Balkes Ambo man touching the deteyning of his apprentice by his father, and upon hearing both sides : Ordered that the said apprentice be delivered by his said father to his said master to serve his apprenticeship out ; upon hearing Councill on both sides touching the different ways of ass^t. for the poor of the township of Seymore : Ordered that for the future all the said ass^{ts}. shall be made according to an equal pound rate ; [72.] the houses of Will. Baros, John Freers, John Reachy, Alice Wood, Tho. Fletcher, Stephen Duck in Bilsdale, and the house of Jos. Shipheard in Easingwold, set apart for reigious worship for Quakers.

[72^b.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 22, 1707.

Before Sir Will. Hustler, Roger Talbot, Edw. Bastow, Daniel Lascelles, Rich Metcalfe, Will. Reveley, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

A bill ignored. [73, 74 blank.]

[75.] ORDERS made etc.

The inhab^{ts}. of the parish of Rumbaldchurch to make an ass^t. for reimbursing the late Constable of Mickleton the moneys by him expended for the apprehending and prosecuting two men for clipping and coining, or shew cause etc.; 52s. 6d. allowed for loss by fire; the Thrs. to pay unto Mr. Jasper Barugh £16. 15. 4½d. for reimbursing him the moneys by him laid out for conveying of vagrants, and £10. more to remane in his hands for that use, which he is to be accountable for at the next Sessions.

[76.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 7, 1707.

Before Sir Will. Robinson, John Wastell, Tho. Worsley, Roger Talbot, Will. Reveley, Will. Moor, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A case of stealing; a Hewthwaite yeomⁿ. for stopping a watercourse. [77^b.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[78.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thrs. to pay £4. as a gratuity towards the repair of a bridge over Pickhall; the Thrs. to pay unto the Surv^{rs}. of highways for Strensall £24. 10. as a gratuity to them towards the repair of their bridges and cawseyways; the Thrs. to pay unto Mr. Will. Ward £22. 17. 3. by him expended upon the repair of the Ho. of Corrn. at Thirske; £100. to be estreated for the repair of Whitby and other bridges; [78^b.] £50. to be estreated for vagrants' money; Mr. Warwick, Thrs., to pay a man £3. 2. 6. out of the first money that comes into his hands for the prosecuting a felon; a West Tanfeild woman to be bound to the peace at the request and upon the oath of her husband; Ralph Bell of Thirske, gentⁿ., to be Thrs. for the weapentakes of Birdforth, Bulmer, Rydale, Pickering Lyth, Whitby Strand, Langbarugh, and Allertonshire.

[79.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 13, 1708.

Before John Gibson, Chas. Tancred, and Tho. Worsley, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Henry Iveson, Esq.: John Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—Two cases of stealing. [80^b.] Two prisoners tried : one acquitted and one convicted.

[81.] ORDERS made etc.

The house in Great Ayton erected by Mr. John Coulson, the houses of Rob. Sigsworth of Haram, Alex. Mackalpin at Kirbymoor-side, and Rob. Richmond in Robin Hood's Bay, set apart for religious worship for Protestant Dissenters.

[82.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 20, 1708.

Before John Hutton and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A case of stealing. A prisoner tried and convicted.

[83.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thirs^{ts}. to pay unto Mr. Jasper Barugh £34. 15. 4. by him expended for the conveyance of vagrants ; £50. to be estreated for vagrant money ; whereas complaint hath been made unto us that several persons have refused to pay their small tythes and other dues arising in the parish of Northallerton, and we, having summoned the persons before us, and duly examined the truth and justice of the said complaint upon oath, do find that there is justly due from the said persons several sums to Mr. Neile, Vicar of Northallerton, and do Order and appoint them to pay him the said sums within ten days : to distrean upon non-payment ; Dan. Lascells, W^m. Reveley.

[84.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 13, 1708.

Before Sir Will. Fowlis, Sir Bryan Stappleton, Sir Will. Strickland, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, Tho. Worsley, John Hill, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Will. Pennyman, Daniel Lascells, Tho. Crofts, Will. Reveley, Will. Moore, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Three Askrigg men for chasing two steares ; a case of stealing. [86^b.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[87.] ORDERS made etc.

£30. to be estreated for the repair of Yeddingham Bridge ; £40. for the repair of Kirby Misperton and other bridges ; Tho. Hewan, gentⁿ., sworn C. C. of Bulmer ; by vertue of an Order made in Court this day these are in her Majesty's name to will and require you immediately upon the receipt hereof to issue out your warrants to all the Petty Constables within your weapentakes, requiring them forthwith to apprehend and attach the bodies of all such Papists, reputed Papists, and persons supposed to be disaffected to her Majesty's government, within their respective Constableries, as were not bound over to the last Sessions,* and them safely bring before the next J.P. to be bound, etc., to answer such things as on her Majesty's behalf shall be objected against them, and you are also to require the said Petty Constables to deliver to the respective Justices at the same time a Schedule, fair written in paper, conteyning the names of all the Papists, etc., as well those who have been bound over, or had the oath tendered to them, as them that have not : herein fail not at your peril. Given under the seal of the Court, the 13th day of April, A.D. 1708 ; Talbott Hessell, gentⁿ., chosen Master of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske, and the Master to have £26. 10. *per annum*, and the £3. 10. which used to be paid by the Thr^r. of Richmondshire to the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske, shall for the future be paid to the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond ; £50. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants ; [87^b.] the Thr^rs. to pay unto Mr. Jasper Barfe £30. 2. 6. for conveying of vagrants ; the Thr^rs. to pay unto the C. C^s. of each weapentake 20s. for the trouble they were at in seizing and apprehending of Papists, etc., and their horses and arms ; 40s. to be given as a gratuity to Dalton Bridge in the weapentake of Gilling West for paving and repairing it ; £5. to be paid for the use of Cover Bridge ; £1. 5. to be paid to a gentleman for keeping a poor vagrant ; a warrant against a Tanfeild woman for beating and abusing her children ; the inhab^ts. of Ruswarp stand indicted for not repairing their highway, leading between the market towns of Whitby and Kirbymoorside, which highway is become so narrow by reason of the frequent floods in the River Esk† that it cannot be

* Attention has been drawn in several instances on previous pages to the stringency, and even severity, of divers enactments against the Papists. Other Acts, or portions of Acts, of even increased severity had been passed in the earlier years of Anne's reign, and the present entry, with one or two which follow, is sufficient to show not merely that these statutes were not suffered to become dead letters, but the resolute and methodical way in which they were put into operation.

+ From a local point of view the entry now under notice is scarcely of less interest, and, in a certain definite sense, value also, than even those historically interesting and instructive entries--of which we have now had quite a long series--connected with the being, the decays, the repairs, the many vicissitudes, of the

repaired without the purchase of some part of the adjoining grounds called Howl Carr, belonging to Bushell Anningson, gentⁿ., now a minor, and the inhab^{ts}. of the Constabulary of Ruswarp aforesaid being willing to purchase so much ground as will make the said way sufficient, have agreed with the guardians for the said minor for five yards and a half in breadth from the hedge root into the said close called Howl Carr all the length of the said close, for which the said inhab^{ts}. have paid in open Court unto the said guardians £5. in lieu of the said five yards and a half in breadth next adjoining to the hedge, quite thorough the said close, and that they, the said inhab^{ts}., shall from time to time hereafter repair and uphold the said way at their own proper costs and charges: in order to which they have promised to make two steds or jetties for securing the said highway, and further that the said inhab^{ts}. at the like proper costs and charges shall erect and build a sufficient wall upon the one-half yard of ground before granted for a highway.

[89.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 13, 1708.

Before Sir Will. Fowlis, Sir Will. Hustler, Will. Strickland, Will. Penniman, Tho. Barton, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presents:—A Huntington lab^r. for not paying his servant's wages; a case of stealing. [91.] A prisoner tried and acquitted.

[91^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The Trustees for the repair of Whitby peers having presented their acc^{ts}. to this Court: Mr. Ward to peruse and examine the said acc^{ts}. before next Sessions, and to make his report etc.; a house scituate in Staingtondale, and a house scituate in Nawton, set apart for religious worship for the people called Quakers; [92.] a warrant against John Danby of Egton Bridge upon an information upon oath for saying mass, to be bound to the Assizes.

familiarly-known bridge over the Esk at Whitby. It is scarcely too much to say that, while there is scarcely a township in the entire Riding, on the past history of which some light has not been reflected or thrown by entries in the present series of Records, there are some to the materials for the more authentic history of which an addition has been made therein of an amount and a nature such as could hardly have been anticipated.

[93.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 20, 1708.

Before Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, Roger Talbot, Edm. Barstow, Daniel Lascells, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Reveley, and Roger Gaile, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The Churchwardens and the Constable of Rumbaldkirke for neglecting their office.

[94.] ORDERS made etc.

£80. to be estreated and paid to Mr. Jasper Barugh for conveying of vagrants ; the overplus money for the building of the Castle of Yorke to be paid to Mr. Henry Frankland ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay the Constables of Allerton £2. 7. towards the reimbursing them their charges in carrying a man to Yorke Castle.

[95.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 5, 1708.

Before Sir Will. Robinson, John Wastell, Tho. Worsley, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Will. Pennyman, Daniel Lascells, Will. Challoner, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Reveley, Math. Pailer, John Bourchier, Leon. Thompson, Roger Gaile, Hugh Cholmley, Esquires, and Fr. Pemberton, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Three cases of stealing. [97.] Five prisoners tried : three acquitted, and two convicted.

[97^b.] ORDERS made etc.

£78. 9. 8. to be paid by Fr. Wivill, Esq., to Mr. Henry Frankland, being the proportion due to the North Riding for the overplus money raised for the building of Yorke Castle ; a warrant against seventeen Aisgarth men to be bound to the next Sessions to answer a complaint made against them by Will. Bows, Ensign in Brigadeer Witeman's company, for riotously assembling and beating the said Will. Bows and other persons ; pursuant to an Act of Parliament made for the rebuilding and repairing of Whitby Bridge* the Justices at Stoxley Sessions,

* No intimation of the fact here advanced is, so far as I am aware, to be met with in either of the current Histories of Whitby. Dr. Young, writing of the bridge

July 13, required the acc'ts. of the said peers to be laid before them, which accordingly they did, or was done by the Trustees, and the same found to be right, as is also the abstract with the particulars of the said acc'ts. ; £50. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants ; £20. to be paid to Mr. Jasper Barugh for conveying of vagrants ; Will. Frankland to take advice of Council whether or no the townships within the Liberty of Rippon and Peter but in the North Riding be liable to pay vagrant money to the C. C's. of the North Riding ; and Mr. Frankland to be reimbursed in his charges in that matter ; [98.] the Thrs. to pay the Constable of Hinderswell 22s. 6d. for his charges in conveying three Frenchmen to Yorke Castle ; the Thrs. to pay the C. C's. of Langbarugh 32s. 6d. towards reimbursing them their charges in taking up some Roman Catholicks at Egton and elsewhere ; the house of James Conyers in the parish of Topcliffe set apart for religious worship by Protestant Dissenters.

[99.] HELMESLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 11, 170 $\frac{8}{9}$.

Before John Gibson, John Hill, Tho. Robinson, and Tho. Burton, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Will. Ellis, Esq. : John Storzaker, Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—A case of stealing, the only one worth noting.

[100.] ORDERS made etc.

£3. allowed for loss by fire.

[101.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 18, 170 $\frac{8}{9}$.

Before Sir Hugh Smithson, John Wastell, John Hutton, Tho. Pulleine, Rich. Metcalfe, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Grinton yeom". for using a trade without legal

in its earlier stages, says :—"At any rate, our bridge was a draw-bridge previous to the year 1637. It is probable that Sir H. Cholmley contributed to its improvement. . . . After passing through various successive improvements, Whitby Bridge was completely rebuilt on stone pillars in the year 1766, when it cost the County about £3,000. It then assumed the form which it now wears." The present notice, then, of an Act of Parliament obtained for the rebuilding of Whitby Bridge is such as claims special attention.

apprenticeship; a case of stealing etc. [102^b.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[103.] ORDERS made etc.

A warrant against a Tanfeild woman to answer touching the beating and abusing of her children; £30. to be paid to Mr. Jasper Barugh for conveying of vagrants.

[104.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, May 3, 1709.

Before Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Arthur Caley, John Wastell, Tho. Worsley, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Daniel Lascells, Will. Chaloner, Tho. Staines, Will. Reveley, Tho. Barton, and Roger Gaile, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

[106^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The house of Geo. Sowerby in Farndale set apart for religious worship for Quakers; John Harrison of Malton to be C. C. for Rydale *vice* Chr. Dickinson; £100. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants; Henry Rook appointed Master of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond; £40. to be estreated for the repair of Kirkham Bridge; £60. for Morton and other bridges; [107.] two Justices to enquire into some of the complaints of some of the inhab^{ts}. of Great Broughton touching the value of their lands and the inequality of their ass^{ts}., and to make their report etc.; Will. Cossins sworn C. C. of Pickering Lyth *vice* Will. Kirby, deceased; every cart with six horses that conveys soldiers' baggidge betwixt Michaelmas and May Day to be allowed 15d. per mile, over and above the Queen's pay, and every cart with four horses between May Day and Michaelmas to be allowed 3d. per mile above the Queen's pay, to be paid by the Thr^{rs}.*; £10. to be

* It may be well here to supply a brief retrospect of the condition of political matters at, and preceding, the date of the present Sessions. "Lewis had acknowledged William as King in the Peace of Ryswick and pledged himself to oppose all attacks on his throne; but in Sept^r., 1701, he entered the bedchamber at St. Germain where James the Second was breathing his last, and promised to acknowledge his son at his death as King of England, Scotland, and Ireland. The promise which was thus made was in fact a declaration of war, and in a moment all England was at one in accepting the challenge. . . . On such a question as this there was no difference between Tory and Whig. Every Englishman backed William in his open resentment of the insult and in the recall of his ambassador. . . . William seized the moment of enthusiasm to dissolve the Houses whose action had hitherto embarrassed him; and though the new Parliament which met in 1702 was still Tory in

estreated for the paying of carriages' charges for conveying of soldiers' baggage; Rich. Patton appointed Surv'. of bridges for the weapon-takes of Langbarugh and Whitby, and to give an acc^t. thereof at the next Sessions: John Gibson for Pickering Lyth, Rydale, and Bulmer:

the main, its Tory members were now as much for war as the Whigs, and the House of Commons replied to the King's stirring appeal by voting forty thousand soldiers and as many sailors for the coming struggle. As a telling reply to the recognition of the young James by Lewis, a Bill of Attainder was passed against the new Pretender, and correspondence with him or maintenance of his title were made treason. At the same time all members of either House and all public officials were sworn to uphold the succession of the House of Hanover as established by law." (Green, iv. 76.) Passing on to the period of the battle of Blenheim, the same author states that the victory in question "aided to bring about a great change in the political aspect of affairs in England itself. The Tories were already pressing hard on the defeated Whigs. If they were willing to support the war abroad, they were resolved to use the accession of a Stuart to the throne to secure their own power at home." The victory of Ramillies ensued in 1706, and the same year saw the completion of a measure of infinitely more national importance than any mere victory, however great and important, namely, the Union with Scotland. But this measure became an accomplished fact only after tedious delays, and the betrayal of motives and considerations which we should not pass by and leave quite without notice. "As the undoing of the early union between the two countries had been the first work of the Government of the Restoration, its revival was one of the first aims of the Government which followed the Revolution. But the project was long held in check by religious and commercial jealousies. . . . The English Churchmen longed for a restoration of Episcopacy north of the border, while the Scotch Presbyterians would not hear even of the legal toleration of the Episcopalians. In 1703, however, an Act of Settlement which passed through the Scotch Parliament at last brought home to English statesmen the dangers of further delay. In dealing with this measure the Scotch Whigs, who cared only for the independence of their country, joined hand in hand with the Scotch Jacobites, who looked only to the interests of the Pretender. The Jacobites excluded from the Act the name of the Princess Sophia; the Whigs introduced a provision that no sovereign of England should be recognized as sovereign of Scotland save upon security given to the religion, freedom, and trade of the Scottish people. The danger arising from such a measure was undoubtedly great, for it pointed to a recognition of the Pretender in Scotland on the Queen's death, and such a recognition meant war between Scotland and England. The need of a union, therefore, became at once apparent to every statesman; . . . and the Act of Union as it was completed in 1706, though not finally passed till the following year, provided that the two kingdoms should be united into one under the name of Great Britain, and that the succession to the crown of this United Kingdom should be ruled by the provisions of the English Act of Settlement. . . . In Scotland the opposition to this measure was bitter and almost universal. The terror of the Presbyterians indeed was met by an Act of Security which became part of the Treaty of Union. But no securities could satisfy the enthusiastic patriots or the fanatical Cameronians. The Jacobites sought troops from France and plotted a Stuart restoration. The nationalists talked of seceding from the Houses which voted for the Union. In the end, however, good sense and the loyalty of the trading classes to the cause of the Protestant succession won their way. The measure was adopted by the Scottish Parliament, and the Treaty of Union became a legislative Act, to which Anne in 1707 gave her assent in noble and memorable words." (Ib 90 92.) If only we recall the leading reflec-

Henry Banister for Birdforth, Hallikeld, Allertonshire, and Gilling East: and Chr. Gill for Hang West, Gilling West, and Hang East, and these four several persons are to have £3. a year apiece paid by the Thrs. out of the bridge money; £5. to be paid by the Thrs. as a gratuity to Scotton Bridge, in case it bear half the charge, if not to be made up to half the charge of the repair; £6. to be given towards the repair of Elfin Bridge as a gratuity, in case £20. more be laid out £4. more to be given, and so half proportionably if above £20. is not laid out; £17. 10. to be paid to Mr. Ward as a ballance for all acc^{ts}.; [107^b.] an ass^t. not exceeding 6d. in the pound to be levied of the inhab^{ts}. of Thornaby for repairing their highways, etc.; the house of John Jhonson of Northallerton set apart for religious worship for Quakers.

[108.] GUISBROUGH.

Qu. Sessions at, July 12, 1709.

Before Sir Jas. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, Will. Hustler, Will. Challoner, Tho. Staines, Hugh Cholmley, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—Only a case of stealing worth notice.

[109^b.] ORDERS made etc.

John Harrison of Malton sworn C. C. for Rydale; Ordered that Will. Harland repair Skelton Bridge according to the will of Rich. Rogers, which he desired might be recorded, and expended £3. 10., which he desired might be recorded; the Thrs. to pay £1. 19. 8. for the repair of Hutton Rudby Bridge.

tions suggested by this brief *r  sum  *, the warlike measures and movements rendered continually necessary by the conflict with the French king, the undisguised wishes and aspirations, and even acts, of the Jacobites, the equally well-known designs and intentions of the Pretender, James Edward, himself, the more than possibility of actual collision, and then collate the fact that less than two months before the date of the present Sessions the Pretender actually sailed from Dunkirk and landed in Scotland, and that only the dispersal and flight of a large convoy of French troops and necessary stores by Byng prevented such invasion from becoming a serious and, to the English Government, a troublesome enterprise, we shall be enabled to arrive at a satisfactory explanation of the present entries, as well as of similar ones yet to ensue. Perhaps also the sterner measures adopted towards the Papists which were the occasion of a note on a nearly preceding page, may be at the same time held to be more fully explained.

[110^b.] NORTH ALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 19, 1709.

Before Will. Hustler, John Wastell, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Edm. Barstow, Daniel Lascells, Rich. Metcalfe, Tho. Staines, Will. Reveley, Roger Gaile, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Nothing worth notice. [112.] Two prisoners tried : one acquitted and one convicted.

[112^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Whereas the inhab^{ts}. of Ingleby-under-Brucliff [? Arncliff] have some dispute conserning their ass^{ts}. and have appealed to the Sessions for relief : two Justices desired to enquire into the said ass^{ts}. and either settle the same or make their report etc. ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay Mr. Jasper Barugh, by him expended about the conveying of vagrants, £49., and £11. more, to be accounted for at the next Sessions ; whereas the Constable of Kirby Langthorpe brought in a bill of charges touching the funerall of a poor woman by him expended : this Court thinks fit that the Constable, considering the hard usage of the woman, be not allowed his note ; the Thr^{rs}. to pay a man £7. 17. by him expended about the repair of Deepdale, Sutton, and Barnard Castle Bridges, and for the material for Burne Little foot-bridge ; a deserter from Col. Mackay's regament committed to the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond ; £50. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants.

[113^b.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 4, 1709.

Before Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, John Hill, Will. Strickland, Tho. Staines, Roger Gaile, and Hugh Cholmley, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Three watercourses not scoured ; a Harnby yeomⁿ. for selling a hundred and sixty fleeces of wool with certain tails and other deceptive locks ; &c.

[116.] ORDERS made etc.

Chr. Dickinson, late C. C. for Rydale, discharged from his said employment, having made up his acc^{ts}. to the satisfaction of this

Court; £100. to be estreated for the repair of Masham and other bridges; £15. to be estreated for the repair of Howe Bridge; £30. to be estreated for the repair of Huby Bridge, it appearing the repair will cost £40.; £4. allowed for loss by fire; Mr. Leon. Breckonbury of Richmond to be Surv^r. of the several country bridges within the North Riding, and the Court being well satisfied of his abilities and capasaty, doth desire him, as oft as occasion shall be, to inspect the work done at the said several bridges and make a report thereof etc., and see if the workmen and Under-Surv^rs. employed by this Court do duly execute their parts before they be allowed their bills of charges, and the said Mr. Breckonbury to be allowed for his trouble herein £8. yearly to be paid by the Thr^rs.; £50. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants; [116^b.] the Thr^rs. to pay Mr. Jasper Barugh £30. 9. by him expended and to be expended for conveyance of vagrants: due to him upon last [sic] £18. 9. 8., he has in his hand £11. 10. 4.; The case of the inhab^ts. of Newbiggin, Nappa, Wood Hall, and Ballowfeild, in the parish of Aisgarth, in relation to the town of Askerigg in the same parish: the question between the town of Askerigg and the said four places is whether the said four places shall be taxed to the poor with the town of Askerigg or whether they may not keep their own poor seperate: the said four places lye some of them at the distance of two miles or more from the town of Askerigg, and the nearest of them the distance of half a mile from the said town, but are all within the jurisdiction of the Constable of Askerigg, but have no dependance upon the said town, and formerly a Constable or Deputy Constable acted for the said four places only: that there being a dispute between the said town and the said four places about nine years ago upon the said question, upon complaint made to the Sessions the Justices made an Order that the said places should maintain their own poor seperate, and the said four places had for several years afterwards, and yet have, Overseers of their own poor: that in respect of the inconveniency by reason of the distance it is usual within the said county for some particular places to maintain their own poor distinct and seperate from other places within the same Constabulary, Little Newbiggin and Bishopdale within the Constabulary of Thoraldby (Little Newbiggin being but half a mile from Thoraldby and Bishopdale about half a mile from Little Newbiggin, maintain their own poor, also the Constabulary of Bainbridge is divided into four, viz. Bainbridge, Hawes, higher and lower parts of Abbotside, and all these seperate appointments were made by the Justices about the same time, and are all within the said parish of Aisgarth): also in the parish of Grinton Melbeck maintain their own poor seperate from Reeth, so do Muskar and Crackpot within the said Constabulary of Reeth: that there is a

toll which was granted by Queen Elizth, 1687, to the inhab^{ts}. of the town of Askerigg, and yet the said four places never received any profit of the said toll, but the same was received by those of the town of Askerigg and the inhab^{ts}. of the said four places pay toll as persons not being within the town of Askerigg, so that the inhab^{ts}. of the said town in respect of the profits of the toll won't have the said four places reckoned part of their township but in respect of the burthen of the ass^{ts}. to the poor and all other charges would have them part of it : if the inhab^{ts}. of the town should pretend they are overcharged with poor the four places have been and are willing to refer that matter to Sessions : this Court being credibly informed that this is the true state of the case between the inhab^{ts}. of Askerigg and the inhab^{ts}. of Newbiggin, Nappa, Woodhall, and Ballowfeild doth desire the Judges' opinion thereupon.

[118.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 10, 17⁰⁹₁₀.

Before John Gibson, Chas. Tancred, Tho. Staines, Tho. Robinson, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

Will. Turbut, Esq., High Sheriff: John Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments:—The Sub-Bailiff of St. Mary's for extortion ; a Yarome woman for being accessory to a felony ; a Thirske widow for lending a woman £1., January 10, 1708, and receiving from the said woman 26s. for putting off the day of payment until January 10, 1709 ; a case of stealing. [119^b.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[120.] ORDERS made etc.

Five Orders touching the relief or settlement of poor persons.

[121.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 17, 17⁰⁹₁₀.

Before Sir Roger Beckwith, John Hutton, Tho. Pulleine, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A Tunstill yeomⁿ. for milking a cow ; two cases of stealing. [123.] Two prisoners tried : one acquitted and one convicted.

[123^b.] ORDERS made etc.

£60. to be estreated for payng of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge in their march, and the same to be paid to the Thrs. to be disbursed as this Court shall from time to time direct; £60. to be estreated for conveying vagrants; £37. 12. 6. to be paid to Mr. Jasper Barugh by him expended for conveying vagrants and carrying soldiers' baggadge; £5. 2. 6. to be paid for the repair of Monk End Bridge; £12. 10. 10. to be paid for repair of Masham, Burne, and Cathericke and other bridges; whereas it did appear to this Court that Mr. Rooke was negligent in letting a woman escape out of the Ho. of Corr.: this Court doth respite his indictment until Midsummer next, to see if he can take the woman again.

[124^b.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 18, 1710.

Before Sir Roger Beckwith, John Wastell, Roger Talbot, Daniel Lascells, Will. Challoner, Rich. Metcalfe, Tho. Staines, Will. Reiveley, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—A case of perjury; two cases of stealing.
[127.] Four prisoners tried: two convicted and two acquitted.

[127^b.] ORDERS made etc.

£5. 2. 6. to be given as a gratuity for the repair of Ness Rye Bridge; £4. 2. 6. to be given as a gratuity to Pickering New Bridge repairs; the Thrs. to pay Mr. Jasper Barugh £26. 2. 6. for conveying of vagrants; the Thrs. to pay a man £2. 2. 6. for the charge he was at in prosecuting a horse-stealer; £60. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants; £60. to be estreated for payng of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge in their march; [128.] the Thrs. to pay unto Henry Banister £1. 10. for his half-year's salary, and £2. 4. for the repair of Beck and Willow Bridges; £50. to be estreated for the repair of Masham Bridge; £15. for Burne Bridge; £60. for Catherick Bridge; £30. for Smeaton Bridge; £25. for Kirby Misperton and other bridges; the Thrs. to pay £2. 12. 6. for the repair of Sike Bridge; the Thrs. to pay the Constable of Beedall £2. 6. 2. for conveying soldiers' baggadge from Beedall to Darlington, and from Beedall to Thirske; every cart with six horses that conveys soldiers' baggadge betwixt Michaelmas and May Day to be allowed 15d. per mile, over and above the Queen's pay, and every cart with four horses between May Day and Michaelmas 8d. per mile, and for every single horse 2d. per mile in summer and 3d. per mile in winter.

[129.] GUISBROUGH.

Qu. Sessions at, July 11, 1710.

Before Sir Will. Foulis, Sir Jas. Pennyman, Will. Challoner, Will. Pennyman, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Two New Malton firkiners for assaulting the Constable and taking away a horse seized by him under a Justice's warrant for conveying soldiers' baggadge ; &c.

[130^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Order in a bastardy case ; [131.] £5. 2. 6. allowed for loss by fire.

[132.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 18, 1710.

Before Sir Roger Beckwith, John Wastell, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Tho. Pulleine, Edw. Barstow, Daniel Lascells, Rich. Metcalfe, Tho. Staines, Will. Reveley, and Roger Gale, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Reeth shoemaker for using the trade of a chandler without legal apprenticeship ; a case of stealing. [133.] A prisoner tried and acquitted.

ORDERS made etc.

The Thr^s. to pay Mr. Jasper Barugh £40. 2. 6., of which £29. 19. 9. is already expended, and the remainder he is to account for at the next Sessions ; the Thr^s. to pay £8. 10. 9. for the repair of Smeaton Bridge ; the Thr^s. to pay the Constables of Ellingtons Ambo 14s. 6d. by him expended for conveyance of soldiers' baggadge ; the Thr^s. to pay £75. 4. 3. which was laid out for workmanship and timber in the repair of Masham and Burne Bridges.

[134^b.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 3, 1710.

Before Sir Will. Foulis, Sir Brian Stapleton, Sir Arthur Caley, Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Will. Pennyman, Rich. Metcalfe, Tho. Staines, Will. Reveley, Roger Gale, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:— Two cases of stealing. [136.] Two prisoners tried: one acquitted and one convicted.

[136^b.] ORDERS made etc.

£200. to be estreated for the repair of Whitby Bridge; £60. to be estreated for conveyance of vagrants; £60. to be estreated for conveyance of soldiers' baggadge; the Thrs. to pay Mr. Jasper Barugh £33. 4. 4. for conveying vagrants: Mem. he has £13. 0. 3. in his hand; [137.] the Thrs. to pay the Reverend Mr. Coulton, Minister of Castle Gaole, Yorke, £6. 2. 6. as a gratuity for his service in reading prayers to the poor prisoners in Yorke Castle; the Thrs. to pay £14. 14. 9. to the Constable of Malton and a like sum to the Constables of Hemsley for conveying soldiers' baggadge in their march; the inhab^{ts}. of Foxton Constabulary to pay for the future to the inhab^{ts}. of Thimbleby and not to the inhab^{ts}. of Sigston, unless cause be shewn etc.; the Thrs. to pay the Constable of Snilesworth the sum of by him expended for conveying soldiers' baggadge.

[138^b.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 9, 17¹⁰/₁₁.

Before John Gibson, Tho. Worsley, Tho. Staines, Tho. Robinson, and Tho. Barton, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Will. Nevell, Esq.: John Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments:—A case of stealing; [139^b.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[142.] ORDERS made etc.

£100. to be estreated for the repair of Sleights and other bridges; £60. for conveying of vagrants; £7. 14. 9. to be paid by the Thrs. for the repair of Normanby, Ryvalx, and Easley Bridges; £1. 2. 6. allowed for loss by fire; a house scituate in Barton-le-Street set apart for the religious worship of the people called Quakers.

[143.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 16, 17¹⁰/₁₁.

Before Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Hugh Smithson, John Wastell, John Hutton, Tho. Pulleine, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

A bill ignored.

[144.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thrs. to pay Mr. Jasper Barugh £35. 2. 6. by him expended in conveying vagrants: Mem. he has £11. 13. 8. in his hands; £50. to be estreated for paying of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge; £200. to be estreated for the repair of Whitby Bridge; £200. for Scauton, Marske and other bridges; the several freeholders and inhab^{ts}. of North Cowton for the future to pay their proportions to the repairs of the highways according to pound rate in pursuance of the Act of Parliament, unless they shew cause etc.; [144^b.] an ass^t. not exceeding 6d. in the pound to be made upon the inhab^{ts}. of the Constabulary of Hipswell for the repair of their highways, etc.; Mr. Will. Warwicke, Thrs., to pay £2. 0. 7. for the repair of Cover and Horsey Bridges.

[145^b.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 10, 1711.

Before John Wastell, Tho. Worsley, Roger Talbot, Daniel Lascells, Will. Pennyman, Tho. Staines, Rich. Metcalfe, Will. Reveley, Leon. Thompson, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—An Askriгг woman for using a trade without legal apprenticeship; a Bainbridge yeomⁿ. for using the trade of a grocer etc.; four cases of stealing. [148^b.] Three prisoners tried: two convicted and one acquitted.

[149.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thrs. to pay £31. 11. 6. for the repair of Sleights Bridge; £130. to be estreated for the repair of Normanby Bridge for the year next ensuing; the Thrs. to pay £5. 17. 10. towards the repair of Malton and other bridges; the Thrs. to pay £5. 10. 8. for the repair of Sandbeck East Bridge; £60. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants: £50. to be estreated for paying of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge in their march; [149^b.] £100. to be estreated for the repair of Whitby Bridge; Henry Banister, Chr. Gill, John Gibson, and Nich. Patten to have each of them yearly 30s., and the Thrs. are likewise to pay Mr. Breckonberry £14. per annum; the money for the future levelled [*sic*] for the relief of poor prisoners in Yorke Castle to be doubled till further Order; £3. 2. 6. to be given as a gratuity to Mr. Breckonberry for his extraordinary pains; the Thrs. to pay Mr.

Jasper Barugh £30. 12. 9. by him expended for conveying of vagrants : Mem. that he has £11. 11. in his hands ; £3. to be paid as a gratuity to the inhab^{ts}. of Sheriff Hutton towards the repairing North Ings Bridge ; John Higgison, gentⁿ., to be sworn C. C. for Pickering Lyth *vice* Mr. Poad ; [150.] the Thrs. to pay to the Constable of Moulton £1. 5. by him expended in taking a horse-stealer, and 17s. 5d. to another man for the same ; Mr. Will. Ward appointed Surv^r. of the bridge at Whitby, and this Court desires him to inspect and take care of the same ; the inhab^{ts}. of Foxton to pay in all ass^ts. for the future to the inhab^{ts}. of Thimbleby and not to Sigs[t]on ; the Thrs. to pay £100. for the repair of Scauton Bridge ; the Thrs. to pay Mr. Will. Ward £200. raised for the repair of Whitby Bridge.

[151.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 10, 1711.

Before Sir Will. Fowlis, Sir Jas. Pennyman, Will. Pennyman, Will. Challoner, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :— Four cases of stealing. [152^b.] Four prisoners tried and convicted.

[153.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thrs. to pay Mr. Ward £100. by him expended for the repair of Whitby Bridge ; an ass^t. not exceeding 6d. in the pound to be made upon the inhab^{ts}. of the Constabulary of Thormanby for the repair of their highways, etc.

[154^b.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July, 31, 1711.

Before Sir Will. Fowlis, John Wastell, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Edm. Barstow, Daniel Lascells, Rich. Metcalfe, Tho. Stains, Will. Reveley, and Roger Gale, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—An Aynderby Steeple yeomⁿ. for keeping a gun and killing hares ; a case of stealing. [157.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[157^b.] ORDERS made etc.

£60. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants ; £60. to be estreated for paying of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge ; £100. to be estreated for the repair of Whitby Bridge ; [158.] the Thrs. to pay Chr. Gill £1. 17. 6. for the repair of Marske and Aisgarth Bridges ; the Thrs. to pay Mr. Jasper Barugh £40. 2. 6. for conveying of vagrants : Mem. he has in his hand £7. 7. 5. ; whereas complaint has been made by some of the inhab^{ts}. of Upper Dinsdale that the ass^{ts}. for poor and Constable are at present unequally laid : Ordered that the said ass^{ts}. be laid on the several lands, etc. by an equal rate.

[159.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 2, 1711.

Before Conyers Darcy, Esq., Sir Bryan Stapylton, Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastill, John Hill, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Will. Pennyman, Tho. Staines, Will. Reveley, Will. Wakefeild, Roger Gaile, Geo. Wright, and Rich. Harland, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The inhab^{ts}. of Cornebrough for not repairing a gate ; four cases of stealing. [160^b.] Four prisoners tried : two convicted and two acquitted.

[161.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thrs. to pay to Henry Banister, Chr. Gill, John Gibson, and Nich. Patten £23. 1. 8. ; Mr. Ward to pay to Ralph Bell, Esq., Thrs., £59. 12. 9. which was spared in building Whitby Bridge ; the Thrs. to pay the Constable of Whitby £7. 2. 6. for defraying the charges of watching a quarantine ship from the Baltick ; six Justices named, or any two of them, to inspect and view Yarome Bridge in what repair it is, and to make their report etc. ; warrants to be sent out to the several C. C^s. to direct their precepts to all the Surv^{rs}. of every parish to order posts to be erected in all cross ways according to the form of the Statute ; the Thrs. to pay the Constable of Midlesmoore [? Midlesburgh] £2. 12. 6. for watching a quarantine of a ship come from Baltick ; [161^b.] Mr. Harrison of Scinderby to be C. C. for Hallikeld *vice* Jasper Barugh ; the Thrs. to pay Jasper Barugh £20. 0. 9. for conveying of vagrants ; £50. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants ; £50. for paying of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge.

[162^b.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 15, 17 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Before Tho. Worsley, John Hill, Tho. Stains, Tho. Robinson, and Tho. Barton, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Will. Vavasour, Esq. : John Storzaker, gentⁿ, Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—An Easingwould yeomⁿ. for entering a warren and killing rabbits ; &c.

[163^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Order in a bastardy case.

[164^b.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 22, 17 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Before John Wastell, John Hutton, Tho. Pulleine, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Bainbridge yeomⁿ. for using the trade of a grocer without legal apprenticeship ; two cases of stealing. [165^b.] Two prisoners tried : one convicted and one acquitted.

166.] ORDERS made etc.

Mr. Warwicke, Thr^r. for Richmondshire to pay a Carperby man 22s. 6d., a woman 10s., and a man 5s. as gratuities for going to Yorke to prosecute a woman for burning a haystack ; the Thr^rs. to pay £190. for building Scawton and Normanby Bridges ; £20. to be paid for the rebuilding of Keldome Bridge ; the Thr^rs. to pay the C. C^s. of Hallikeld £27. 19. 11. for conveying of vagrants ; £50. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants ; [166^b.] £50. for paying of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge ; the house of Henry Myres of Gilling set apart for religious worship of the people called Quakers.

[167.] THIRSK.

Qu. Sessions at, April 29, 1712.

Before Sir Will. Foulis, Sir Henry Marwood, Sir Roger Beckwith, John Wastell, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Daniel Lascells, Will. Challoner, Rich Metcalfe, Geo. Wright, and Rich. Harland, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presents :—Four cases of extortion ; three cases of stealing.
 [169.] Three prisoners tried : two convicted, and one acquitted.

[170.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thrs. to pay the C. C^s. of Hallikeld £25. 8. 11. for the conveyance of vagrants ; £50. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants ; £80. for paying of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge ; [170^b.] £20. for Keldome Bridge ; the Thrs. to pay unto John Gibson, one of the Surv^{rs}. of bridges, £10. towards reimbursing him what he has laid out for Scawton and Normanby Bridges ; £40. to be estreated for the repair of Morton, Skeeby, and other bridges ; a Hawske man to pay 6d. weekly towards the relief of his mother ; £2. 2. 6. allowed for a loss by fire ; the Thrs. to pay unto the tenant of Morton Flatt ground adjoining near to Morton Bridge £2. yearly for the liberty of going through his grounds and returning again into the highway as soon as possible in safety in time of a flood, the said tenant repairing and keeping in good repair the gatestead leading into his ground ; the Thrs. to pay the Constables of Northallerton £15. by them expended in soldiers' carriages.

[127.] GUISBROUGH.

Qu. Sessions at, July 15, 1712.

Before Sir Will. Foulis, Will. Pennyman, Will Chaloner, John Turner, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presents :— A case of stealing. [173.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[173^b.] ORDERS made etc.

John Adamson of Kirkleavington to be appointed gamekeeper to my Lady Bowes according to the form of the statute etc. ; £2. to be paid to the Constables of Hemsley for conveying soldiers with their baggadge from thence to Stoxley ; [174.] an ass^t. not exceeding 6d. in the pound to be laid upon the inhab^{ts}. of the Constabulary of Kirkleavington for the repair of the highways, etc. ; [174^b.] Rob. Rooth of Rowsby appointed gamekeeper for the said Manner of Rowsby to Sir Gryffith Boyinton according to the form of the statute etc. ; Tho. Lowsdale of Guisbrough, gentⁿ., and Tho. Hunt of Stoxley, gentⁿ., to be C. C^s. for Langbarugh ; 19s. to be paid to the Constable of Broughton for conveying soldiers' baggadge from thence to Yarom ; £1. 8. to be paid to the Constable of Yarom for conveying soldiers' baggadge.

[175^b.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 22, 1712.

Before Sir Roger Beckwith, John Wastell, John Hutton, Roger Talbott, Daniel Lascells, Rich. Metcalfe, Tho. Staines, Will. Reveley, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :— . . . A Hunderthwaite yeomⁿ. for stopping a footpath ; . . . a case of stealing. [179.] A prisoner tried and acquitted.

[179^b.] ORDERS made etc.

£3. 10. to be paid for the repair of Willow Bridge ; £1. 18. to be paid for the repair of Skeeby Bridge ; £10. for the repair of Masham Bridge ; £50. to be estreated for paying of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge ; £50. for conveying of vagrants ; the Thrs^s. to pay the C. C^s. of Hallikeld £21. 9. 3. by them expended for conveying of vagrants.

[181.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 7, 1712.

Before Sir Will. Foulis, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Daniel Lascells, Rich. Metcalfe, Tho. Staines, Will. Reveley, Will. Wakefeld, John Bourchier, Roger Gale, Rich. Harland, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :— . . . A case of perjury ; two cases of stealing. [183.] Two prisoners tried and convicted.

[183^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Tho. Hunt, and Tho. Lowsdale, gentⁿ., sworn C. C^s. for Langbarugh ; the Thrs^s. to pay to Godfrey Bosvile, Esq., or Order £1. 10. 6. by him laid out when High Sheriff for poor prisoners in the Marshalsea and Queen's Bench ; £5. 2. 6. to be paid to a Tollerton man for his loss by fire, and a letter of request to the Archbishop ; £3. 2. 6. to be distributed amongst the poor sufferers by fire at Yafforth ; £26. 2. 6. to be paid by the Thrs^s. for the repair of Keldome Bridge ; £80. to be estreated for the repair of Morton and other bridges : Mem. that £60. is to be paid out of this for the repair of Appleton Bridge, provided that it be done according to Mr. Breckonberry's plan ; [184.] £20. to be estreated for the repair of Marsk and other bridges ; the

Thr^{rs.} to pay £5. 4. 9. for sallery and for the repair of Grinton and Walke Bridges; £5. to be given as a gratuity for the repair of Holbeck Bridge; £50. to be estreated for the repair of Catherick and other bridges; the Thr^{rs.} to pay to the C. C^{s.} of Hallikeld £32. for conveying of vagrants; £60. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants; £50. for paying of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge; [184^{b.}] £28. 4. 6. to be paid to John Gibson for the repair of Sinnington and other bridges; the Thr^{rs.} to pay Rob. Ward, Clerk, J.P., £1. 12. 6. for conveying soldiers' baggadge from Stoxley, Newby, Seamer and Ayton; the Thr^{rs.} to pay the Constables of Hemsley £1. 10. for conveying of vagrants; the Bridgewardens of Yarm to pay unto Edw. Raw the arrears due unto him for the maintenance of Yarm Bridge, and six Justices desired to settle what arrears are due unto him; £1. 10. to be paid to Mr. Goulton for the poor prisoners in the Marshalsea and Queen's Bench; £3. 10. to be paid to Henry Banister for the repair Topcliff Little Bridge.

[185^{b.}] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 13, 171 $\frac{2}{3}$.

Before Tho. Worsley, and Will. Moore, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Rich. Beaumont, Esq.: John Storzaker, gent^{n.}, Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments:— A case of stealing. [186^{b.}] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[187.] ORDERS made etc.

The 'Thr^{rs.} to pay the Constables of Whitby £9. 3. by them expended for watching the ship called *Charity*, coming from Gottenham, while she performed her quarantine at Whitby aforesaid; whereas complaint hath been made unto this Court that the inhab^{ts.} of Upleatham have formerly made all their ass^{ts.} by oxgang, which appears to be unreasonable and unequal: Ordered that for the future they shall lay on all their ass^{ts.} by an equal pound rate; the Thr^{rs.} to pay £1. as a gratuity for the repair of Catterbeck Bridge; a warrant against a man to be bound over to the next Assizes to answer an indictment for unlawfully chasing and taking a sheep; £1. allowed for loss by fire; the houses of Henry Gair in Kirby Moorside and Will. Hick of Cropton set apart for religious worship for the people called Protestant Dissenters; a Hovingham man suppressed for keeping a disorderly alehouse.

[188.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 20, 1713.

Before Sir Hugh Smithson, Sir Roger Beckwith, John Wastell, John Hutton, Tho. Pullein, Roger Gale, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Clerk of Preston-under-Scarr for keeping a gun and killing pheasants, partridges, and doves ;

[189.] ORDERS made etc.

£60. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants ; £50. for paying of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge ; £30. for the repair of Normanby Bridge ; the Order for prisoners' money being doubled to be made single till further Order, there being very few prisoners in Yorke Castle ; the Thrs. to pay the C. C^s. of Hallikeld £35. 15. 6. for conveying of vagrants.

[190^b.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 15, 1713.

Before Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Will. Hustler, John Hutton, Roger Talbot, Will. Reveley, Will. Wakefeild, Roger Gale, Geo. Wright, and John Stapylton, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :— A case of stealing. [194.] A prisoner tried and convicted.

[194^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thrs. to pay John Gibson £16. 19. 4. by him expended in the repair of Kirkham and other bridges ; the Thrs. to pay the inhab^{ts}. of South Holme £5. as a gratuity for the repair of Holbeck Bridge ; a gratuity of £20. to be given to Will. Wakefeild, Esq., for making a cawsey way and a great many bridges over Clifton Moore ; the Thrs. to pay £4. 13. 10. to Will. Wakefeild, Esq., laid out in repairing Yorke Castle, and 2s. 6d. for the Order ; the Thrs. to pay more towards the repair of York Castle £13. 6. 2. ; £60. to be estreated for the repair of Marsk and other bridges ; [195.] £40. for the repair of that part of Borrough Bridge lying within the North Riding ; £60. for conveying of vagrants ; £50. for paying of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge ; an idle and disorderly vagrant committed to the Ho. of Corrⁿ. ; a fine of £5. to be laid upon Henry Rooke, Master of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at

Richmond, for not attending according to Order, and leaving a prisoner behind him that was delivered unto him; £5. to be given towards the repair of Laskell Bridge.

[196.] YARM.

Qu. Sessions at, July 14, 1713.

Before Sir Will. Foulis, Sir Jas. Pennyman, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, Will Pennyman, Daniel Lascells, Will. Challoner, Geo. Wright, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Four yeomⁿ. for selling corrupt butter and not stamping their initials on the butter-firkins; three yeomⁿ. for selling butter under weight; &c.

[199.] ORDERS made etc.

The house of Geo. Walker of Fileingdales set apart for religious worship for Protestant Dissenters; Hamlett Woods and John Orde to be sworn officers in the Customs at Whitby; the Thrs. to pay the Constables of Whitby £9. 3. by them expended for watching the ship *Anne and Elizabeth* coming from Gottenbergh while she performed her quarantine; one low room in the west end of a house belonging to Eugene Scarth set apart for the religious worship of Quakers; [199^b.] one house in Rousby belonging to the people called Quakers, one low room in the east end of a dwelling-house belonging to Luke Cock of Ugthorpe, and one low room in the east end of a house belonging to Mary Torrett in Liverton set apart for the religious worship of the people called Quakers.

[200.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions at, July 28, 1713.

Before Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, John Hutton, Roger Talbott, Edw. Barstow, Daniel Lascells, Roger Gale, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—None of note.

[201.] ORDERS made etc.

John Gainforth of Masham appointed gamekeeper to Sir Roger

Beckwith for the Manner of Aldbrough; £60. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants; £50. for paying of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge; the Thrs. to pay the C. C^s. of Hallikeld £80. 11. 8. by them expended for conveying of vagrants; the Thrs. to pay Chr. Gill £12. 6. 2. by him expended in repairing Coverham and other bridges; the Thrs. to pay the Constables of Newsham 17s. 6d. for their charges in apprehending vagrants; whereas this Court perceives by the great abundant wandring and concourse of beggers, more of late than hath been seen forth of this county, that there is a general neglect by the Constables of putting the law in execution in that behalf made: Ordered that the several C. C^s. do issue out their precepts to all the Petty Constables within their several districts requiring them to be very diligent in the apprehending of all such rogues, vagabonds and beggers, or otherwise the Statute of 14 Chas. II. for levying 2s. a head for every vagrant that shall pass through their respective Constableries unpunished will be strictly put in execution against them.

[202.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 6, 1713.

Before Sir Will. Robinson, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, Tho. Duncombe *alias* Browne, Roger Talbott, John Hutton, Edw. Barstow, Daniel Lascells, Will. Challoner, Will. Reveley, Will. Wakefeild, Roger Gale, Geo. Wright, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentsments :—A Harnby yeomⁿ. for stealing a gelding and beating and wounding it with an axe; a Sand Hutton yeomⁿ. for not repairing his share of the common pinfold*; a case of stealing.
[204^b.] A prisoner tried and acquitted.

[205.] ORDERS made etc.

This Court doth desire the Justices within the weapentake of Langbarugh to meet some of the Justices for the county of Durham on or before December 1st, and in conjunction with them to farm [or] lett the reparation of Yarm Bridge for what sum and for what term of years they shall see convenient; £4. to be paid for the repair of Morton

* A note will be found in a previous Volume illustrative of this entry. The noteworthy point is that such entries as the present establish the fact that the co-operative work of the occupiers of the township in such matters as the erection or maintenance of the pinfold, stocks, &c., is still at the date of this Sessions according to rule.

Bridge; the Thrs. to pay the Constables of Kirby Hill £48. 0. 10., by them expended for conveying of vagrants; the Thrs. to pay Henry Banister £19. 15. 6., by him expended for the repair of Northallerton and Burrough Bridges and his sallary for the same; the Thrs. to pay Chr. Gill £17. 14. 8., by him expended for the repair of Bowes and other bridges; the Thrs. to pay John Gibson £50. 15. 3., by him expended for the repair of Kirkham and other bridges; £150. to be estreated for the repair of Kirkham, Yarome and other bridges; £80. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants; [205^b.] £60. for paying of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge; £50. for the repair of Yeddington, Buttercramb, and other bridges; £20. to be given as a gratuity towards the charge of making a cawsey way* over the Forrest from Clifton to Hewby; £5. to be given towards the repair of Hawnby Bridge when it is certified to this Sessions by Mr. Beckonbury that it is repaired; £5. to be given next Sessions towards repairing the highways at Robin Hood Bay; [206.] John Gibson to be one of the Surv^{rs}. for bridges in the room of his father lately deceased; £7. to be paid to a gentleman towards his charges about being indicted for not repairing York Castle; the house of Jos. Thornill and Will. Kidd, both in Hinderwell, set apart for the religious worship of the people called Quakers; whereas a Yorke man was fined £10. for four indictments, viz. 50s. each indictment, this Court doth, upon further hearing, mitigate the same fine to 1s. every indictment.

[207.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 12, 171³₄.

Before John Hill, Timothy Mauliverer, Will. Pennyman, Tho. Robinson, and Tho. Barton, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Tho. Wrightson, Esq.: John Storzaker, gentⁿ. Deputy Sheriff.

[207^b.] ORDERS made etc.

An ass^t. not exceeding 6d. in the pound to be made upon the inhab^{ts}. of the Constabulary of Fileingdales for the repair of the highways, etc.

* A most interesting and significant entry, as tending to show what the "highways" were down to 1713.

[209.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, January 16, 1713 $\frac{3}{4}$.

Before John Hutton, Tho. Pulleine, Geo. Wright, and Edw. Goddard, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:—Nothing worth note.

[210.] ORDERS made etc.

£59. 7. 8. to be paid to the C. C^s. of Hallikeld for conveying of vagrants; [210^b.] £50. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants; £50. for payng of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge; the house of Jas. Robinson of Croswick to be lycenced for a Presbeterion meeting-house; Ralph Laidman of Kirby Hill to be C. C. for Gilling West *vice* Leon. Spenley, deceased.

[211^b.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 6, 1714.

Before Sir Hugh Smithson, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, Timothy Mauliverer, John Hutton, Tho. Pullein, Daniel Lascells, Will. Reveley, Will. Wakefeild, John Bourchier, Geo. Wright, and Edw. Goddard, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Tho. Wrightson, Esq.: John Story, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments:—A New Malton yeomⁿ. for using the trade of a rope maker without legal apprenticeship; two cases of stealing. [213.] Three prisoners tried: two convicted and one acquitted.

[214.] ORDERS made etc.

£22. 19. 9. to be paid to the C. C^s. of Hallikeld for conveying of vagrants; the Thr^s. to pay as a gratuity towards the repair of Goatland Bridge; the Thr^s. to pay the C. C^s. of Allertonshire £5. 10. for conveying of vagrants; Mr. John Bartlett to be Surv^r. of bridges within the North Riding, and for the future to have £20. a year salary, and the other four small sallaries from henceforth to cease; £50. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants; £50. for payng of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge; [214^b.] £100. for the repair of Normanby and other bridges; the Thr^s. to make their several acc^{ts}. up for all the moneys by them received, at the Michaelmas Sessions

at Thirske; 30s. allowed for loss by fire; the Thrs. to pay John Gibson £2. 9. for the repair of Yeddingham Bridge; the Thrs. to pay £2. 3. 5. for the repair of Thirske and other bridges; an apprentice discharged from his apprenticeship; Mr. Bartlett, Surv^r. of bridges, to view Appleton Bridge and make his report at the next Sessions at Allerton what has been done there, and what the town of Welbury has done in their wrong, and what proportion Angran Grange, being in the Constabulary of Welbury, ought to bear; Mr. Bartlett to view Bow Bridge, Normanby and Goatland Bridges.

[215^b.] GUISBROUGH.

Qu. Sessions at, July 13, 1714.

Before Sir Will. Hustler, Timothy Mauliverer, Will. Pennyman, Will. Challoner, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc as before.

Presentments:—None of interest. Five cases of stealing. [218.] Five prisoners tried and convicted.

[218^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thrs. to pay the Constables of Hemsley £2. 2. 6. for defraying their charges in apprehending and prosecuting vagrants; the matter in dispute between the inhab^{ts}. of Marton and Acklam touching the removal of a little bridge called Stone Bridge, and the dispute among the inhab^{ts}. of Marton touching their ass^{ts}. by oxgang or pound rate, referred to the Justices within the weapentake of Langbarugh or any of them; [219.] a Castle Levington man having made his complaint to this Court that his master has abused him, and the said master having sworn the peace against his said servant: this Court taking into consideration the same doth discharge the said servant from his said service, and Order the master to pay him his wages according to the determination of the next Justices: Mem. that Sir Will. Strickland and Sir Hugh Cholmley did certify to this Court that Will. Towers took the oath for the due and faithful execution of his office, before them, February 1, 1714³.

[220.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 27, 1714.

Before Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, Timothy Mauliverer, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Tho. Pullein, Edw. Barstow, Daniel Lascelles, Will. Reveley, Roger Gale, Geo. Wright, and Edw. Goddard, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—An old Byland yeom^r. for selling a hundred measures of bad oats; . . . seven cases of stealing. [223.] Six prisoners tried: five convicted and one acquitted.

[224.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thr^{rs}. to pay the C. C^s. of Halikeld £28. 1. 8. for conveying of vagrants; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £5. 2. 6. as a gratuity for the repair of Goatland Bridge; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £1. 12. 6. for Morton Bridge; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £5. 14. 4. for Bow Bridge; the Thr^{rs}. to pay £14. 6. 9. as a gratuity for Appleton Bridge; the Thr^{rs}. to pay for the use of the inhab^{ts}. of Appleton £40. as a further gratuity for their bridge, and Ralph Bell to repay what any persons have paid, 6d. per pound in the first place, and with the remainder to pay every man according as be proportionably [*sic*]; [224^b.] the Thr^{rs}. to pay two Welbury men £13. 12. 6. by them expended about Appleton Bridge; the Thr^{rs}. to pay Mr. Bartlett £9. 0. 2., by him expended for the repair of Peirce and other bridges.

[225.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 5, 1714.

Before Sir Will. Foulis, Sir Hugh Smithson, Sir Arthur Caley, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, Tho. Worsley, John Hill, Tho. Duncombe alias Browne, Stephen Crofts, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Will. Pennyman, Daniel Lascells, Will. Challoner, Will. Reveley, Tho. Robinson, Tho. Barton, John Bourchier, Leon. Thompson, Roger Gale, Will. Moore, Geo. Wright, Esquires, Rob. Ward, Clerk, John Stapylton, Chr. Turner, and Edw. Goddard, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Tho. Wrightson, Esq.: John Storzaker, gent^r., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments :—None of interest.

[226.] ORDERS made etc.

The C. C^s. of Pickring Lyth to pay a man 10s. for scouring and cleansing the river at Yadingham and How Bridge; £1. 12. 6. allowed for loss by fire; the Thrs^s. to pay the C. C^s. of Hallikeld £44. 6. 7. for conveying vagrants; the Thrs^s. to pay Mr. Bartlett for Coverham, Masham, Kilgram and other bridges; £20. to be estreated for Kilgram Bridge; £40. for conveying vagrants; [226^b.] £10. for soldiers' baggage; the Thrs^s. to pay Mr. Story £6. for twice carrying letters and messages to the several Justices; the Thrs^s. to pay Mr. Frankland £10. as a gratuity for his attending the Justices at several meetings; the Thrs^s. to pay John Raper of Langthorp £20. per quarter for the conveying all vagrants that shall come to Kirkby, to Nesome, or other places, according to the usual custom, and John Raper to give security to perform this agreement.; the Thrs^s. to pay the C. C^s. of Hallikeld £12. 3. for carrying soldiers' baggage: Ordered that Henry Rook be discharged from being keeper of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond, and that the Justices will appoint another in his place next Sessions, and in the mean time the Master of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Thirske to have the sallery of the said Henry Rook; 20s. allowed for loss by fire

[227.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 11, 171 $\frac{4}{5}$.

Before Sir Jas. Pennyman, Tho. Worsley, John Hill, Timothy Mauleverer, Tho. Robinson, Tho. Barton, and Will. Moor, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Fairfax Norcliff, Esq.: John Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presentments:—A Whitby gentⁿ. for attempting to induce the Jury by letters and other ways and means to ignore bills against him; three cases of stealing. [229.] Four prisoners tried: three acquitted and one convicted.

[229^b.] ORDERS made etc.

Upon complaint that the prisoners in Yorke Castle are now very numerous so that the allowance of bread for them is very small: Ordered that the prisoners' money for Yorke Castle be doubled until this Court doth otherwise direct; Leon. Coates is appointed game-keeper by Tho. Wentworth, Esq., for the Lordship of New Malton.

[230.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, April 26, 1715.

Before Sir Will. Fowlis, Sir Hugh Smithson, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Arthur Caley, Sir Obstrupus Danby, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, John Hill, Timothy Mauliverer, Tho. Duncom *alias* Brown, Henry Raper, Steph. Crofts, Roger Talburt, Edm. Barstow, Daniel Lascells, Will. Challoner, Will. Reveley, Tho. Robinson, Will. Wakefield, Tho. Barton, John Bouthcher, Henry Darley, Leon. Thompson of Sheriff Hutton, Roger Gale, Will. Moor, Geo. Wright, Esquires, Fr. Pemberton, Rob. Ward, Clerks, John Stapleton, Rich. Harland, and Will. Tanckerd, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :— [231.] Seven prisoners tried : three acquitted and four convicted.

[232.] ORDERS made etc.

£2. 7. 5. to be paid to the C. C^s. for Hallikeld for conveying vagrants ; [232^b.] the Thrs. to pay £1. 16. 8. for the repair of Huntington Bridge ; £2. 0. 6. to be paid to the Constable of Malton for conveying soldiers' baggage ; the Thrs. to pay Alderman Rich. Thompson £21. 19. 3., being the North Riding proportion ; the Thrs. to pay £2. 3. to Mr. Alex. Harrison of Yorke for his trouble in writing warrants for apprehending the Papists, non-Jurors, etc. ; the Thrs. to pay £2. 2. 3. *per annum* to Mr. Geo. Mesbrother for supervising the decays of Yorke Castle ; Mr. Warwick, Thrl. for Richmondshire, to pay to Mr. Bartlett, Surv^r. of the bridges, £20. in order that he may be enabled to pay poor workmen which he employs in repairing of bridges ; 15s. to be paid to the inhab^{ts}. of Aylmer for conveying soldiers' baggage ; the Thrs. to pay £5. as a gratuity towards the repair of Leighton Bridge ; [233.] £5. 2. 6. to be paid to the inhab^{ts}. of Hornby for repairing of bridges ; £4. to be paid to Mr. Story for going about to the Justices upon publick occasions ; £60. to be estreated for conveying of vagrants ; £20. for paying of carriages to convey soldiers' baggadge in their march ; £2. to be given by the Thrs. to the Constabulary of Eggleton for prosecuting a man there.

[234.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 12, 1715.

Before Sir Will. Fowlis, Sir Will. Hustler, Will. Pennyman, Will. Challoner, Leon. Thompson, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Two Yarne yeomⁿ. for forging a bond;

[235.] ORDERS made etc.

The Overseers of the highways of Keldome to levy 6d. per pound towards the repair of their highways; the Thrs. to pay the Constables of Hemsley £1. 12. 6. for the charges they were at in keeping and conveying two vagrants and carrying them to the Ho. of Corrn.; the Thrs. to pay £1. 2. 6. to Leon. Thompson, Esq., for charges by him laid out for sending warrants out to seize Popish horses, armes, etc. at the demise of her late Majesty; [235^b.] the Thrs. to pay a man £1. towards his great loss of webbs; £5. to be laid as a fine upon the gaoler of Yorke Castle for not appearing.

[236.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions at, July 19, 1715.

Before Sir Roger Beckwith, John Wastell, Henry Peirse, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Daniel Lassells, Will. Reveley, and Geo. Wright, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—The Rector of Thormanby for refusal to pay ass^ts.

[237.] Three Orders touching the maintenance of poor people.

[239.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 4, 1715.

Before Sir Will. Foulis, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Jas. Pennyman, Sir Ralph Milbanke, Sir Arthur Caley, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, Tho. Worsley, John Hill, Henry Peirse, Stephen Croft, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Will. Pennyman, Edw. Barstow, Daniel Lascelles, Will. Challoner, Tho. Robinson, Will. Reveley, John Bouchier, Leon. Thompson, Tho. Metcalfe, Will. Moor, Geo. Wright, Esquires, Rob. Ward, Clerk, John Stapleton, and Chas. Bathurst, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :— . . . two cases of stealing. [240.] Two prisoners tried : one convicted and one acquitted.

[240^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The Th^rs. to pay the C. C^s. of the several weapentakes £2. for the trouble they were at in summoning the Papists, etc. ; the Th^rs. to pay a Hutton Rudby man £4. 2. 6. as a gratuity for prosecuting felons for stealing of webbs ; the Th^rs. to pay to Mr. Talbot Hesle and Mr. Will. Nevison £10., and to Mr. Geo. Potter, £10., and to Mr. Stephenson £10. for their several searchings for Papish horses and arms ; the Surv^rs. to view the several bridges in Danby Dale called Castleton Bridge, Aynthorp, and Castle Bridge,* and report etc. ; Ralph Key, yeomⁿ., appointed gamekeeper by Roger Gale, Esq., for his manour of Screwton ; [241.] the Th^rs. to pay the Constable of Egton £10. for seising and apprehending a man for speaking re-

* Two of these bridges were still standing up to less than twenty years ago, when one of them was sacrificed, somewhat unnecessarily, under the influence of mingled motives. This was the bridge called in the text Castleton Bridge. The construction of the railway from Stockton to Grosmont, and so to Whitby, called imperatively for the erection of a more commodious bridge for the traffic to and from Castleton Station, and on its completion the unlucky old "Bow Bridge" was "thrown upon the common," and sold for £5 to a Castleton mason who had contracted for the erection of the Board School there ; and, although strenuous efforts were made for its preservation by several who had some interest in matters of local, architectural, and archaeological moment, still it was permitted to be destroyed. It was in many respects one of considerable interest. Like all the others of early date spanning the Esk, it was a bridge of one arch, very high pitched, and originally intended for the passage of men and horses mainly, and, as used for carriages at all, only for carriages of very narrow build. When the broader carts and waggons of modern days were introduced, it became necessary to widen these bridges by throwing the parapet on either side a little further from the medial part or roadway. The date of the Castleton Bridge might be assumed as lying within the first twenty-five years of the fourteenth century. That of the Castle Bridge of the text is between 1380 and 1388 ; while as to that of the Ainthorpe Bridge, inasmuch as it was removed early in the present century to make room for a wider and more robust structure, and no descriptive details whatever have survived it, it is impossible even to make a surmise. The oldest bridge of the same type and approximate date is—or rather was—the bridge more than once mentioned in these pages under the description of the bridge at Briggus Wath. This was erected by mutual consent between the Abbot of Whitby and the lord of the land on the other side of the stream ; and the document from which these particulars are learnt must certainly date from very near the beginning of the thirteenth century. In the *conventio* or covenant referred to, the intended bridge is spoken of as to be a " pons perpetuus," and passage over it is to be free to all who travel along the *via regia* which crossed the stream at this spot, and is to remain so for ever. There is yet another of these mediæval bridges crossing the same stream and situate close to the Glaisdale Station. This is locally known as Beggar's Bridge, and has its legends connected with it, composed of the same filmy fabric as most of our other Cleveland stories.

flecting and scandalous words against his Majesty King George; Abbot Side quarter for the future to find a sworn Assistant-Constable to serve for Abbot Side in the Constabulary of Bainbridge as Hawes quarter now does, and a Constable appointed for that purpose; the Thrs. to pay Mr. Bartlett £15. 2. 6. for Buttercramb, Masham and other bridges; the Thrs. to pay Mr. Tho. Story £4. 2. 6. for going about to the Justices upon publick occasions; the Thrs. to pay £5. 2. 6. for Yarne Bridge; [241^b.] Mr. Will. Peacock to be C. C. for Gilling East *vice* Mr. Walker; the Thrs. to pay unto John Raper £20. a quarter until the next Michaelmas Sessions for his keeping the vagrants and conveying the same from Kirkby Hill to Neesome as formerly, he giving security to perform his contract as formerly.

[242.] HEMSLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, January 10, 171*g*.

Before Sir Will. Hustler, John Hill, Tho. Duncomb *alias* Brown, Tho. Robinson, Will. Wakefeild, Tho. Barton, and Will. Moor, Esquires.

High Sheriff, Chas. Wilkinson, Esq. : John Storzaker, gentⁿ., Deputy Sheriff.

Presents:—A Yarne gentⁿ. for malicious words against the King: “He will be thrown out and another put in his room”; a watercourse not scoured; three highways not repaired.

[244.] ORDERS made etc.

John Spencer appointed gamekeeper for the manor of Seymore by Sir Theophilus Napier; Geo. Meynell of New Malton, Walter Lowther of Kirkby Moorside, John Morlnor of Wilton, John Stephenson of Kirkbymoorside, and Rich. Moorland of Thornton Risebrough, Quakers, took the declaration of fidelity to the Government; the Thrs. to pay Mr. Tho. Story £3. for going about etc.; £2. 2. 6 allowed for loss by fire; the Thrs. to pay Mr. Will. Nesse, C. C. for Rydale, £51. for sixty carriages for conveying soldiers’ baggage from Hemsley to Yarne, 16s. more for another carriage, £5. 12. for guide money, and 8s. for two horses, in all £57. 16. 6.; the Thrs. to pay Mr. Harrison, C. C. for Rydale, £9. 10. for nineteen carriages conveying soldiers’ baggage, as also £1. 10. for two carriages from Barton, and 10s. for another carriage, and £2. for guide money, in all £13. 10.; [244^b.] the Thrs. to pay Mr. Hunt £111. 4. for one hundred and fifteen carriages from Yarne to Durham, and for guide money

£4. 2. 6.; the Thirs^{rs}. to pay the Constable of Thirske for carriages
£2. 2. 6.*

* We have a series of entries here of such a character that it seems hardly fitting to pass them by without at least cursory attention. It will be seen too, and in the near sequel, that there are a variety of other entries calling for notice, and several of them such that, although varying among themselves in many and apparently prominent particulars, still they have a general bond of connection. This one bond of connection may be briefly indicated by the use of the word Jacobitism, and a recollection of the diversified objects and motives suggested by the term itself. And thus it is more than likely that one somewhat extended note dealing with the general posture of affairs at and just preceding the date now reached in this Record of the Sessions, may be more descriptive and explanatory of detached matters calling for notice, than separate shorter notes dealing with said matters more in detail. And in this connection the following few sentences from the "Annals of England" may at least serve the purpose of a short explanatory 'Table of Contents':—"The death of Queen Anne, which happened somewhat suddenly on August 1st, 1714, entirely frustrated the plan that had been formed by Harley, Bolingbroke, and others, of calling her brother James Edward to the throne. The Lords Justices, as directed by 6 Anne, c. 41, at once proclaimed the Elector of Hanover as King, under the style of George I. He landed at Greenwich, Sept. 18, and immediately showed that the late Ministers and their adherents had no chance of his favour. They were at once deprived of office and refused an audience. Bolingbroke was so decidedly repulsed that he became alarmed, and fled to France early in 1715. Ormond also fled, and Oxford was impeached and committed to the Tower. Meantime the friends of the Stuarts had taken arms in both Scotland and England, but were decisively foiled." From this we turn to the wider view presented by Mr. Green: "In driving James to a foreign land, indeed, in making him dependent on a foreign Court, the Revolution had effectually guarded itself from any undoing of its work. So long as a Stuart Pretender existed, so long as he remained a tool in the hands of France, every monarch that the Revolution placed on the English throne, and every servant of such a monarch, was forced to cling to the principles of the Revolution and to the men who were most certain to fight for them. With a Parliament of landed gentry and Churchmen behind him, Harley could not be drawn into measures which would effectually alienate the merchant or the dissenter; and if Bolingbroke's talk was more reckless, time was not given to show whether his designs were more than talk. There was in fact but one course open for the Tory who hated what the Revolution had done, and that was the recall of the Stuarts. Such a recall would have brought him much of what he wanted. But it would have brought him more than he did not want. Tory as he might be, he was in no humour to sacrifice English freedom and English religion to his Toryism, and to recall the Stuarts was to sacrifice both. None of the Stuart exiles would forsake their faith: and promise what they might, England had learned too well what such pledges were worth to set another Catholic on the throne. The more earnest a Catholic he was indeed, and no one disputed the earnestness of the Stuarts, the more impossible was it for him to reign without striving to bring England over to Catholicism; and there was no means of even making such an attempt save by repeating the struggle of James II. and by the overthrow of English liberty. It was the consciousness that a Stuart restoration was impossible that egged Bolingbroke to his desperate plans for forcing a Tory policy on the monarchs of the Revolution. And it was the same consciousness that, at the crisis which followed the death of Anne, made the Tory leaders deaf to the frantic appeals of Bishop Atterbury. . . . Wanting in no kind of courage, he implored his confederates to proclaim James III., and offered to accompany the heralds in lawn sleeves. To submit again to Whig rule was a bitter thing for them;

[245.] RICHMOND.

Qu. Sessions at, January 17, 1716.

Before Sir Roger Beckwith, John Hutton, Geo. Wright, and Edw. Goddard, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Uninteresting.

[246.] ORDERS made etc.

John Frear of Murton, Quaker, took the oathes ; Mr. Chr. Davile to be Gov^r. of the Ho. of Corrⁿ. at Richmond, and to have salary for

but to accept a Catholic sovereign was an impossible thing. And yet every Tory felt that with the acceptance of the House of Hanover their struggles against the principles of the Revolution came practically to an end. Their intrigues with the Pretender, the strife which they had brought about between Anne and the Electress Sophia, their hesitation if not their refusal to frankly support the succession of her son, were known to have sown a deep distrust of the whole Tory party in the heart of the new sovereign ; and though in the first ministry which he formed a few posts were offered to the more moderate of their leaders, the offer was so clearly a delusive one that they refused to take office. This refusal not only deepened the chasm between party and party ; it placed the Tories in open opposition to the House of Hanover. It did more, for it proclaimed a temper of despair which withdrew them as a whole from any further part in political affairs. . . . In their despair the more vehement among them turned to the Pretender. Bolingbroke and the Duke of Ormond fled from England to take office under the son of King James, James the Third, as he was called by his adherents. . . . The Jacobite secession gave little help to the Pretender, while it dealt a fatal blow to the Tory cause. England was still averse from a return of the Stuarts ; and the suspicion of Jacobite designs not only alienated the trading classes, but deadened the zeal even of the parsons and squires. The bulk however of the Tory party were far from turning Jacobites, though they might play at disloyalty out of hatred to the House of Hanover. What they did was to withdraw from public affairs altogether. . . . Still, however weakened and broken, Toryism lived on in the bulk of the nation as a spirit of sullen opposition that could not rise into active revolt so long as the Pretender remained a Catholic, but which fed itself with hopes of a Stuart who would at last befriend English religion and English liberty. But matters were precipitated, and the first work of the new ministry formed by the King was to meet a desperate attempt of the Pretender to gain the throne. There was no real hope of success, for the active Jacobites in England were few, and the Tories were broken by the fall of their leaders. The policy of Bolingbroke, as Secretary of State to the Pretender, was to defer action till he had secured help from Charles XII. of Sweden, and had induced Lewis XIV. to lend a few thousand men to aid a Jacobite rising. But at the moment of action the death of Lewis ruined all hope of aid from France ; the hope of Swedish aid proved as fruitless ; and in spite of Bolingbroke's counsels James Stuart resolved to act alone. Without informing his new Minister, he ordered the Earl of Mar to give the signal for revolt in the North. In Scotland the triumph of the Whigs meant the continuance of the House of Argyll in power ; and the

the same £13. 10. yearly till further Order ; £400. to be estreated for conveying soldiers' baggage in their march ; £40. for conveying of vagrants ; the Thirs. to pay Mr. Geo. Masbrother of Yorke £4. 8. 7½. for the North Riding proportion for the better security of State prisoners in Yorke Castle ; whereas Fr. Simpson, servant to Earl Derwentwater, and John Henderson, servant to Mr. Talbot of Cartington, were taken coming from the rebels in Lancashire and Will. Frasier as they confessed themselves* : Ordered that they be committed to Yorke Castle ; [246^b.] Will. Peacock of Midleton Tyas sworn C. C. for Gilling East ; a Cattericke alehouse-keeper and a Manfeild alehouse-keeper suppressed ; the Thirs. to pay a Whitwell man £2. 2. 6. towards his loss of a horse in conveying soldiers' baggage ; £2. 2. 6. to a Melsonby man for the like ; the Thirs. to pay Will. Ashton of Catterick £1. 2. 6. as a gratuity for his good behaviour in his office ; [247.] the Thirs. to pay a gentⁿ. 12s. 6d. for taking a rebell † ; the Thirs. to pay Mr. Chr. Davile £3. 10. for keeping four persons returning from the

rival Highland clans were as ready to fight the Campbells under Mar as they had been ready to fight them under Dundee or Montrose. But Mar was a leader of a different stamp from these. In September, 1715, six thousand Highlanders joined him at Perth ; but his cowardice or want of conduct kept this army idle till the Duke of Argyll had gathered forces to meet it in an indecisive engagement at Sheriffmuir. The Pretender, who arrived too late for the action, proved a yet more sluggish and incapable leader than Mar : and at the close of the year an advance of 6,000 men under General Carpenter drove James over sea again and dispersed the clans to their hills. In England the danger passed away like a dream. The accession of the new King had been followed by some outbreaks of riotous discontent ; but at the talk of Highland risings and French invasions Tories and Whigs alike rallied round the throne ; while the army, which had bitterly resented the interruption of its victories by the treachery of St. John, and hailed with delight the restoration of Marlborough to its command, went hotly for King George. The suspension of the Habeas Corpus Act, and the arrest of their leader, Sir William Wyndham, cowed the Jacobites ; and not a man stirred in the West when Ormond appeared off the coast of Devon and called on his party to rise. Oxford alone showed itself restless ; and a few of the Catholic gentry rose in Northumberland, under Lord Derwentwater and Mr. Forster. The arrival of 2,000 Highlanders who had been sent to join them by Mar spurred these insurgents to march into Lancashire, where the Catholic party was strongest ; but they were soon cooped up in Preston, and driven to a surrender." A slightly attentive consideration of the statements herein made will abundantly suffice to explain the continuous and considerable payments made for the carriage of soldiers' baggage, for the arrest of rebels, for the energetic measures taken in seizing "papishes," and other matters noted in the immediately succeeding pages ; and, at the same time, will explain the comparatively few entries dealing with the subject of the rising of the preceding year to be met with in the Records under our hands. It had not been such in its energy or its expansiveness as to produce any very direct, any more than any very sensible, effect in the North Riding.

* See the last long note which will fully explain this entry, and others like it.

† In these two entries there seems to be evidence of the feeling of the countryside in reference to the objects and attempts of the Pretender in the late rising.

rebelles* in Richmond Gaoll, the Thrs. to pay three men 10s. for taking a Papish.†

[248.] THIRSK.

Qu. Sessions at, April 10, 1716.

Before Sir Hugh Smithson, Sir Roger Beckwith, Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, John Hill, Timothy Mauleverer, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Daniel Lascelles, Will. Reveley, Tho. Robinson, Will. Moor, Geo. Wright, and Will. Tancred, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments:— a Catterick Bridge yeomⁿ. for tracing hares.

[249] ORDERS made etc.

The Thrs. to pay the Constable of Egton £2. 2. 6. towards the charges of conveying Mr. John Hodgson, a Papist, to Yorke Castle; the Thrs. to pay a Danby Dale man £10. 2. 6. towards the repair of Castle and other bridges at Michaelmas next, provided that Mr. Bartlett do certify that the bridges are repaired according to his directions; [249^b.] Lord Fairfax of Gilling to be allowed to keep two fowling peices and a wearing sword; Peter Todd, gentⁿ., appointed gamekeeper within the lordships of Leeming, Sinderby and West Tanfeild, by the Hon^{ble}. Rob. and Jas. Bruce, Esquires; Mr. Chr. Aiskew, sen^r., appointed gamekeeper by the Hon^{ble}. Rob. and Jas. Bruce for the lordships of Finghall, Ellington, East Witton, Newton-in-the-Willows, Howsam, and Manfeild; Peter Todd appointed gamekeeper by the Lord Castletower for the manor of Kirklington and Howgrave; Peter Todd appointed gamekeeper by Sir Reginald Grahem for the manors of Norton Conyers, Nunwick, Clotherom, Stoodley Roger‡; the Thrs. to pay four Justices 6os. for writing warrants for the soldiers' baggage; £50. to be estreated for conveying vagrants; £100. for conveying soldiers' baggage.

* See note † on previous page.

† An Act had quite recently—indeed, scarcely a year before the date of the present Sessions—been passed to “render effectual the Statutes of 1606 against Papists,” and it can easily be imagined what an impulse had been given by recent events to the already existing inclination not to suffer such statutes to become a dead letter.

‡ These diverse appointments of Gamekeepers may be collated with an appointment of the same nature of which we have a minute at an earlier page (175), and to which, from its nature, a note was appended.

[250.] STOXLEY.

Qu. Sessions at, July 10, 1716.

Before Sir Will. Foulis, Sir Will. Hustler, Will. Pennyman, Timothy Mauleverer, Esquires, and Rob. Ward, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—A Hutton Rudby man for selling a vicious horse ;

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[251^b.] ORDERS made etc.

The Trustees for the building and repairing Whitby peers* having laid before this Court an acc^t. of their receipts and disbursements for the repairing the said peers since their last acc^t. made Oct^r. 5, 1708 : the same is found right ; the Thirske £1. 14. for conveying vagrants ; whereas several of the inhab^ts. of Sand Hutton have complained that their ass^ts. are very unequally laid on at present : Ordered that they appear etc. to make it appear whether they assess by land tax or by an equal pound rate ; the Constabulary of Loftus to lay an ass^t. not exceeding 6d. in the pound for

* This is not quite the first entry connected with the piers at Whitby. From the notice of the subject given by Dr. Young in his History of Whitby (1530), it appears to be quite uncertain at what date the earliest pier, or apology for a pier, was constructed. His words are, "How long a pier had existed"—at the dissolution of the Abbey, namely—"on which side of the river it lay, or whether it was on both sides, is not known" ; and in the notes he quotes from a Memorial presented to the King about the year 1545, as follows :—"It is very necessarye that all the woods within the parisshe of Whitbye or elcewhere nere thereunto be reservyde for the mayntenaunce of the peyr against the see at Whitbye, where the Kyng's Majestie hath alredye employede great somes of money." From this it is apparent that these original piers must have been very largely constructed of timber ; that, in short, they were rather *stathes*, than piers in what has come to be accepted now-a-days as the sense of that word, unless some qualification is made descriptive of the material employed when such material is other than stone. "In 1632," the authority quoted goes on to say, "the piers were found to be in a very ruinous state ; and about that time the whole of the west pier was rebuilt, chiefly through the exertions of Sir Hugh Cholmley, the lord of the Manor of Whitby. . . . The east pier seems to have lain neglected for a long time ; for in the time of Charles II. the pier of Whitby was in an unfinished state. Indeed nothing effectual was done for placing the piers and harbour on a respectable footing till the year 1702, when, in consideration of the utility of this port, the Parliament passed an Act imposing certain dues and duties for its maintenance. This Act was to remain in force only nine years, as it was hoped that within that time a sufficient fund would accumulate for maintaining the piers and harbour ; but when it was found in 1709 that, instead of any such accumulation, the duties were considerably mortgaged, a new Act was obtained to extend the former one to the year 1723." Other Acts, with the particulars of which we need not trouble ourselves, were obtained in the years 1720, 1734, 1749, 1765, 1780, 1796, and finally in 1812.

the repair of their highways ; a like Order for the Surv^s. of the highways of Whitby ; the Th^rs. to pay two Justices £1. 12. for writing warrants for soldiers' baggage ; [252.] The Th^rs. to pay a Yarne man £16. 5. 6. for thirty-eight carriages conveying soldiers' baggage from Yarne to Hemsley ; the Th^rs. to pay the Constable of Hemsley £18. 12. 6. for twenty carriages and six guides conveying soldiers' baggage from Hemsley to Yorke* ; the Th^rs. to pay Mr. John Foster £2. 16. 6. for printed warrants against Papists and other persons disaffected to the Government, and for engrossing the returns in parchment, and other his pains and trouble in that business ; the Th^rs. to pay a man £2. 2. 6. as a gratuity for his loss by the soldiers* ; Order in a bastardy case.

[252^b.] NORTHALLERTON.

Qu. Sessions, by adjournment, at, July 17, 1716.

Before John Wastell, Henry Pears, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Edw. Barstow, Daniel Lascelles, Henry Raper, Geo. Wright, Esquires, and Fr. Pemberton, Clerk.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—Two cases of non-repair of highways.

[253.] ORDERS made etc.

Tho. Smelt, sworn C. C. for Hang East ; £50. to be estreated for vagrant money ; £50. for soldiers' baggage ; the Th^rs. to pay £19. 2. 10. for conveying soldiers' baggage from Masham to Ripley and Burrowbridge ; £100. to be estreated for the repair of Cattherick and other bridges ; [253^b.] the Th^rs. to pay £7. 16. 2. for conveying soldiers' baggage from Richmond to Masham* and other places ; £1. 12. 6. to be distributed to the Constable of Aiskew and others for taking two sturdy vagrants to the Ho. of Corr^a. at Thirske ; two alehouse-keepers suppressed ; a J.P. to take bail of Mr. John Tarran in £200. and his bail in £100. for his appearance at the next Assizes to answer for some words by him spoken against the title of King George.

* It will be observed from the present and like entries that the movement of the troops is now towards the South. The campaign was practically over.

[254.] THIRSKE.

Qu. Sessions at, October 2, 1716.

Before Sir Will. Hustler, John Wastell, John Hill, Henry Pears, Roger Talbot, John Hutton, Daniel Lascelles, Will. Reveley, Tho. Robinson, John Bourchier, Hugh Cholmley, Geo. Wright, and John Hill, jun^r, Esquires.

High Sheriff etc. as before.

Presentments :—None worth notice.

[255.] ORDERS made etc.

The Thrs. to pay Mr. Bartlett £7. 2. 6. for the repair of Briggarwath Bridge, £5. 2. 6. for the repair of Tame Bridge, and £20. 2. 6. as a gratuity towards the building a bridge over a little water called Ellerbeck, and three Justices desired to assist the said Mr. Bartlett in the placing the said bridge so as may most conduce to the benefit of the country, and bargaining for the same, the moneys to be paid when the bridge is done; John Raper of Langthorpe to have for the future £60. per annum only for conveying vagrants; the Thrs. to pay Mr. Bartlett £55. 2. 6. for Yeddingham and other bridges; a letter of request to be granted to two Wass men for loss by fire; [255^b.] £50. to be estreated for conveying vagrants; £50. for conveying soldiers' baggage; £60. for the repair of Yeddingham and other bridges; the C. C^s. to pay the poor prisoners' money for Yorke Castle to the Thrs., who are to pay the same to Mr. Tho. Thompson of Yorke; [256.] the Thrs. to pay Mr. John Consett, one of the C. C^s. of Langbarugh, for his trouble and charges in summoning the several Papists* within his division £4. 2. 6., he travelling five days about it with a guide: and to Mr. Hunt, the other C. C., £2. 2. 6.: and to Mr. Wetherill, C. C. of Whitby Strand, for the same service £1. 12. 6.; a Whitby gentⁿ. who refuses to find sureties for the good behaviour for striking a person in Court and other misdemeanours committed to gaol; Will. Taylor appointed gamekeeper by Sir Henry Marwood for the weapentake of Langbarugh.

* See previous note on this matter on p. 247.

The following pages are derived from a series of voluminous parchment rolls, the greater portion of which are threaded together by means of a strong string, and are entitled "Liber A." A second roll is endorsed "Continuation of Book A from page 221 to page 251; also from the year 1739 to the year 1744." There is then a smaller roll, endorsed "Liber B"; and there are two loose sheets, the first of which I print entire, and it will be found to describe itself; the second being such that only a brief notice of its nature and contents can be regarded as necessary. The former of these two sheets runs as follows :—

LIBER A.

NORTH RID. { "A REGISTER and ENTRY of the Christian and Surnames of all and every person and persons in COM. EBOR. who came in person to the Quarter Sessions of the Peace held for the N. R. of the County of Yorke att Thirsk on Tuesday the Thirtyth day of April A.D. 1717, and desired his, her or their name or names And all such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments whereof he, she or they, or any trustee or trustees for him, her or them, or their benefit or advantage, hath or have come into the possession or perception of the rents or profits of any other lands, tenements, and hereditaments scituate lying and being in the N. R. of the County of Yorke to be Registered :—In which Register is expressed in what parish or place such lands &c. and every part thereof lye or arise, and who then were the Possessors thereof, And what estate or interest he, she or they at the time of such Registry respectively had in the same, And the yearly Rent reserved to him, her, or them for the same, if the same were then lett ; And if lett upon Lease, then by whome such lease was made, what yearly or other rent was reserved thereupon, And what fine or Summe of money was paid for such lease, If made by himself or any person in Trust for him, And that he was party or privy thereunto : And also a Registry or Entry of all such persons who have sent a writing and writings under his, her or their names to Henry Frankland, Esq., Clerke of the Peace of the said Riding, or his Deputy, desiering him to Register his, her or their name and names, And their Estates in Lands, Tenements and hereditaments In such manner and in such words as he, she, or they have, by such writeing or writeings, desired the said Clerke of the Peace or his Deputy to register the same, pursuant to an Act of Parliament made in the first

yeare of the reign of his present Majesty, King George, Intituled An Act to oblige Papists to Register their names and Reall Estates."

The second loose sheet is covered throughout, inside and outside, with copies of Powers of Attorney given by such Papists as did not make personal appearance at the Sessions for the purpose specified ; and, as they are all essentially the same in form, copy of only one of them will be given, the names of the several persons concerned being detailed in the sequel.

" Know all men by these presents that I, the Hon^{ble}. Rowland Belasyse of Winchester in the County of Southampton, Esq., Have made, appointed, and in my place and stead put, and by these presents do make, &c., Jon Mayes of Yarum, Esq., Tho. Douglas of Yarum aforesaid, Gentⁿ., and Tho. Mitchel of Newburgh, Gentⁿ., or either of them, my true and lawfull Attorneys or Attorney, &c., for me and in my name and place and stead to subscribe my name to such Registry or entry as shall be made of my name and reall Estate in the N. R. &c., in a book or books, Roll or Rolls, kept in that behalfe by the Clerk of the Peace, necessary for duly registering my name as aforesaid, as is required by an Act of Parliament made in the first year of his Majesty's reign Intituled &c., as fully to all intents and purposes whatsoever as if I, the said Rowland Belasyse, might or could do the same, being personally present, and whatsoever my said Attorneys, &c., doe in or about the premises, I, the said Rowland Belasyse, doe and shall ratify and confirm, as if I in my own person had done the same. In witness whereof I, the said Rowland Belasyse, have hereunto sett my hand and seale this 19th day of Febr., 1718."

The next is by Bradshaw Peirson, Esq., of Gray's Inn, dated June 18th, 1719, who deputes Will. Peirson, Esq., of Stokesley, John Preston of Lasenby, Geo. Potter and John Pennett, both of Stokesley, Gentⁿ., his attorneys. The next, dated Jan^{ry}. 15th, 1818, is by Katherine, Lady Petre, widow of Robert, Lord Petre, who appoints Tho. Starkie of Preston in Lancashire, Gentⁿ., and John Morilden of York, Gentⁿ., as her attorneys. She is followed by William, Viscount Fairfax of Emula in Ireland, who appoints Francis Cholmley of Brandsby, Gentⁿ., and Will. Pinkney of Thirsk, Gentⁿ., by a deed dated Feb^{ry}. 26th, 1719; Thomas, Viscount Fauconberg, Baron of Yarum, who names Fr. Goulton of Highthorn, Will. Pinkney of Thirsk, and Tho. Mitchell of Newbrough, Gentlemen, on 27th Dec^r., 1720; the Hon^{ble}. Charles Fairfax of Gilling, Esq., who nominates Will. Pinkney of Thirsk, Fr. Cholmley of Bransby, and John Sturdy of Colton, Gentlemen, March 2nd, 1720; Anne Cockson of Old Elvitt near Durham, widow, who appoints Pinkney and Mitchell already named, Sept^r. 1st, 1722; Geo. Meynell of Aldbrough, Esq., who appoints Goulton, Pinkney, and

Mitchell his attorneys, Sept^r. 3rd in the same year; Elizth. Lawson of Brough, widow of Sir Henry Lawson, who names Tho. Wycliffe of Richmond, Matt. Smales of Gilling, and James Close of Richmond, Gentⁿ., Jan^{ry}. 7th, 1726; Sir John Lawson of Brough, who nominates the same three gentlemen on the same day; Sir Henry Lawson of Brough, who appoints John Allen of Brough, Gentⁿ., John Cockin also of Brough, yeoman, Dec^r. 31st, 1739; and Mary Lawson, widow of Sir John Lawson, who names the same two gentlemen at the same date; and Mary Mayes of [the] Freerage, Northallerton, who appoints James Hartley of the said Freerage and Tho. Whytehead of Thirsk, Gentⁿ., Feb^{ry}. 12th, 1742.

NORTH RIDING. { Ad General. Quarter. Sessionem Pacis apud Thirske &c., Anno &c., 1717, Coram Rog. Talbot, Will. Reveley, et Daniele Lascells, Armigeris, &c.

To the Clerk of the Peace &c. I, Sir Tho. Tanckred of Brampton *alias* Branton, Bart., In pursuance of and obedience to a late Act of Parliament Intituled An Act to oblige Papists to register &c., do by this writeing under my hand desier you or one of you to register my name and estate in the several lands, tenements and hereditaments herein contained, scituat^e, lying, being and ariseing in the said N. R. in the manner and in the words following: A true perticular of the severall lands, tenements and hereditaments scituat^e &c. whereof I, the said Sir Thomas Tanckred of Brampton, am, or any other person or persons In Trust for me, or for my use or benefitt, are possessed or in receipt of &c., viz. the Mannor or Lordship of Brampton or Branton aforesaid, in the parish, township or constablery of Kirkby Hill, &c., which said mannour consists of IMPRIMIS the Capitall Mannour-house wherein I, the said Sir Thomas Tanckred, do now dwell, and about 135 acres of arable, meadow, and pasture ground, now in my own occupation, of the estimated yearly value of £68: Item, about 100 acres of arable and pasture there, now in the occⁿ. of John Coates by a lease for 21 years, commencing &c., for the yearly rent of £45. 12: Item, about 57 acres of new-laid pasture ground there, in the occⁿ. of Rich. and Matt. Newsham by lease for seven years, under the yearly rent of £28., and the service of keeping and maintaineing, each of them, an hound or hound-whelp for me as occasion [*sic*]: Item, about 70 acres of meadow and pasture there in the occⁿ. of Anth. Chippin, by a virball demise for three years, under the yearly rent of £41: Item, Barth. Clifton, my tenant att will from yeare to yeare, of 8 acres of

pasture there, at the yearly rent of £4, in all £168. 12. ; of or from which tenants of Brampton I have not received or expect to receive or take any fine or sum of money for the said lease or demise : And out of the said manour there is the yearly rent called a Free Rent of £1. 1. 4., payable to New College in Oxford : And also the said manour, together with other estates in the West Riding, is charged to the annual payment of £40. apeice to my brothers, Charles Tanckred, Walter Tanckred, and Waldegrave Tanckred duering their respective lifes, by virtue of the settlement made by my late father, Sir Will. Tanckred, upon my marriage in the year 1688 ; and by virtue of that marriage settlement, I, the said Sir Thomas, came into possession and seisin of the said estate of Brampton, and thereby do conceive myself to be seised and intitled only as tenant for my own life. Witnesse my hand [signed under Power of Attorney by Wilfrid Stroother, Gentⁿ.] April 13th, 1717.

To the Clerk of the Peace &c. I, Henry Crosland of Whendby, Gentⁿ. . . . An annuity of £30 . . . charged upon the Capital Messuage or tenement or farme commonly called Haram Hawe, in Helmsley parish, with a part of a close there called Harlome, and other meadows, pastures, &c., now in the occupⁿ. of Henry Crosland, Esq., nephew of the aforesaid Henry Crosland, the whole conteining by estimation 200 acres ; of which annuity I, the said Henry Crosland, am in actual receipt and possession, for an unexpired term of an original term of fourscore years yet to come, from the making of a lease made by his Grace, George, late Duke of Buckingham, to Sir Jordan Crosland, Knt., my late father, of the said Capital Messuage &c., If Dame Bridget Crosland, my late mother, and John Crosland, Esq, my late eldest brother, and Mr. Charles Crosland, my brother now living, or any of them, should so long live : To which said annuity . . . I, the said Henry Crosland, am entituled and possessed of by virtue of the last will &c. of my late father, who devised, &c., &c. (date not ascertainable).

Francis Cholmeley of Brandsby, Gentⁿ. . . . an annuity of £40., payable out of the Mannour or Lordship of Steresby in Brandsby parish, &c. Dated April 17th, 1717.

Barbara Crosland of the City of Yorke, widdow, . . . The Capital Messuage &c. in Little Smeaton in the parish of Birkby, now in the occupⁿ. of Henry Hugill, gentⁿ. with all the edifices, buildings, barnes, &c., orchards, gardens, garths, wast grounds, void grounds, &c., and also all and singuler anie other the messuages &c. of me the said Barbara Crosland, scituate &c. in the said parish of Birkby . . . now or late in the severall and respective tenures, farmeings, occupations, or possessions of the same Henry Hugill,

Ralph Bell, John Fishburn, Ralph Turner, and Mark Mainprize, all which said messuage &c. were, by an indenture bearing date 4th of May, 8 Anne, let by me to the said Henry Hugill &c. (details of conditions of the lease for term of 90 years), it being intended that I should receive the clear yearly rent of £100, without any deduction upon the granteing of which lease the said Henry Hugill paid me £160, and he and his undertenants are now the present possessors &c., of all which Messuages, &c., I am seised of and in an estate of freehold for and duering the terme of my naturall life, for and as jointure made me by John Grimston, Esq., my first husband, and I am in the receipt and perception of the same clear yearly rent &c. (dated at the Sessions aforesaid).

Joseph Pattinson of Sixhills in the County of Lincolne, Gentⁿ, in Lanmorth *alias* Lamorth (Lanmoth) in the parish of Leeke, the two Chappell keills,* the three ings or meadow-grounds, the peice of ground called the Red Ings of Anable, and pastureing, also the paddock or wood peice, together with the dwelling-houses, barne, &c., to about the quantity of 33 fences,† or six acres, as ordinarily computed, all in the occⁿ. of Tho. Bosworth, husbandman, and Chr. Hunton, labourer, his under-tenant, at the yearly rent of 40 markes, or £26. 13. 4., paid to the Master and Usher of the Free Grammar-school of Prince Henry, of Otley: Item, in the said parish of Leeke, in Lanmoth aforesaid, in the occⁿ. of the said Joseph Pattinson, a peice of wood-ground called the Oxegang or Oxegoing‡, being ac-

* This is a word, or at least the form of a word, which I have not before met with, and its sense or intent seems more than doubtful. What is certain is that it designates two closes or enclosures. Alike in Scotland, and in diverse parts of England, *kill*, *kell*, or *kele* is a wonted form or corruption of *kiln*, and in a series of Counterparts of Conveyances of lands and tenements in this parish, all dating in 1656, which I have recently examined, I find perhaps twenty-five or thirty field-names deriving their local being as well as significance from the element *kiln*, *kiine*, or *killin*, which last is merely the mode of pronunciation of the said word. Only, in these conveyances the said element never stands alone, but always in composition, as in *kilne-close*, *kilne-garth*, *killin-field*, &c. It is possible there may be an omission, or even an intentional ellipsis, in the present case.

† This, again, is a term with which I am totally unacquainted. It is clearly a measure or definite area of land—in point of fact, something under two-thirds of a rood. It may be not utterly wide of the mark to suggest that the possible meaning of the word is equivalent to that of *balk* or *bawk*, which, in many instances, has been found to imply not merely the unploughed ridge or small bank separating one ‘land’ from another in the *Campus communis* or “Open field” of the vill, but to include the area of the ‘land’ itself as well.

‡ The second word would seem to be only the explanation of the former one, or *oxegang*: and it is at least open to question whether the word that should have been used may not be *oxegate*. The oxgang was an arbitrary measure or space of land: the oxgate a stinted portion of pasture, often, if not usually, of woodland character, allotted according to the number of cattle which the whole pasture was able to sus-

counted betwixt twenty and [twenty]-five acres, value uncertain, all which premisses have been occupied by me, the said Jos. Pattinson, and the Greenes, my deceased wife Dorothy her parents predecessors and ancestors, by virtue of a lease to some or one of them from the trustees for the Free Grammar-school before-named, for the term of 1,000 years at the reserved rent of forty markes as is above said : Item, the following particulers in Lanmoth are freehold and held by me the said Jos. Pattinson, together with the premisses, by virtue of an agreement upon marriage with my said deceased wife, the daughter of Anth. Green, late of Lanmoth, and Mary his widow, viz. the peice of ground called the Great wood, butting on the said oxgang on the south, about 42 acres by estimation : Item, the Little wood conteineing the orchard and garth about the houses, about 15 acres, &c., abutted on the north by a peice of wood-ground called Weewood in Sigston Parish (Note : the said dwelling-house, &c., are within the hedges of the said wood of 15 acres, and are not part of the Otley School lease) : Item, one other peice of wood-ground in Leeke, called Cattoe wood, of about 30 acres, boundered on the north by the said oxegang, and on the south by Cotcliffe-wood, value uncertain, &c., these lands being subject to two several mortgages of £100. each, &c., as by the instruments or writeings of mortgage may appeare for essoyning the Bishop's Court, by the yeare one shilling, trophy money per annum one shilling, and the charge to the Militia which is incertain.

The Right Hon^{ble}. Thomas, Viscount Fauconberg, Baron of Yarne In Newbrough-cum-Brenk, parish of Coxwold, the manour or Lordshipp of the same, with its rights, members, &c., together with the Courts, Leet, View of Frank Pledge, Court Baron, Waifes, Estrays, Felons' goods, Deodands, and Estreats thereunto belonging, now in my own possession, a quit-rent of £10. 7. 8. in my own possⁿ., the Capitall Messuage or Cheif mansion-house of Newbrough, with all, &c., a parcell of woody ground called the Sawpitt-garth or Calf-garth, five acres, a close called the Stripe, three acres, a close called the Law-close, eight acres, a close called Davison close, eight acres, and the parke called Newbrough parke, of 450 acres, all in my possession, the said closes being appropriated for hay for the deer ; a messuage, garden and croft, and the tythes of corn, hay, wool, and lamb, and all other tythes great and small, &c., lett by me from year to year to Will. Barwick at the yearly rent of 16s. 8d., but which rent is not received but always remitted to the said Will. Barwick in respect to his poverty and numerous family ; a messuage, &c., farme, garden, orchard and tain, and not according to the number of acres composing it. It will be observed that it is woody ground which receives the name under notice. And it is also worth noting what a large area of still wooded ground is involved in the present register.

curtilage, with severall lands, &c., and the tythes, &c., lett by me to Oswald Buckle at the yearly rent of £48. 6. 8.; a mess^{ge}, farme, &c., with all tythes, &c., lett by me to John Carleton for £32. a year; another farm, &c., lett to James Buckle for £21. a year; another let to Will. Daile or his assigns for the residue of a term of 21 years, for £42. a year; three closes, with the tythes accruing upon them, let to Elizth. Forster, widow, year by year, for £11. 5.; a farm, &c., let from year to year to Will. Gibson for £57. a year; another farm, &c., let from year to year to Chr. Rook for £59.; another under the same tenure let to John Harrison for £36. a year; another called Brenthe let to Rob. Kipling for £130. a year, the said Rob. Kipling to be allowed £20. the first yeare after his entry on the said farm, and £10. each of the three years ensuing towards the repaires of the said mess^{ge}, outhouses, hedges, stells, and other the premises, and now under agreement to have a new drayne or stell cut at my charges, which at a moderate computation will cost £100. and upwards; another farm, &c., let tythe-free as before, and from year to year, to Andrew Layton for £19. 13. 4.; another let to Will. Mitchell for £19. a year; another let to Chr. Pearson for £126. 5.; several closes (all tythe-free as in all other cases except otherwise specified) let to John Braggett for £38.; another let to Rich. Sadler for £3. 6. 8.; another let to Rich. Smith for £5. a year; another mess^{ge}, water-milne, farm, &c., let to Tho. Thomlin for £36.; several closes let to James Wood for £12; a cottage let to John Webster, without any reserved rent on account of his poverty.

In Yearsly, *alias* Yeversley-Peele, parish of Coxwold, the Mannor of Yearsly, together with Courts Leet, &c.; a cottage and garth, tythe-free as before, except as regards wool and lamb, and from year to year, let to John Brown at 10s. a year; a mess^{ge}. let to Will. Brown sen'. for 22s. a year; another let to Will. Brown jun'. for £3. 3. 4. a year; a cottage let to Margery Barber for 6s. 8d. a year; a mess^{ge}, &c., let to Tho. Brown for £5. 3. 2.; another let to John Craw for £2. 10. 3.; another let to John Dowthwait for £14. a year; another let to Will. Dowthwaite for £32 16. 3.; another let to Rob. Dowthwaite for £4. 5. a year; another let to Jonathan Jerman for £1. 15. 6.; another let to Simon Hall for £38. 8. 2.; another let to Tho. Hornby for £27. 11. 4.; another let to Edw. Hornby for £7. 5. 4.; another let to John Hornby for £9. 2. 8.; another let to Simon Hornby for £5. 10.; another let to Fr. Hornby for 14s. 2d.; another let to Fr. Leife for £11. 15. 7.; another let to John Leife for £23. 2. 6.; another let to Tho. Marshall for £24.; another let to Geo. Marshall for £2. 10.; another let to John Sparling for £15. 0. 3.; another let to John Thornton for 27s. 10d.; another let to John

Walker for £24. 2. 5.; another let to Fr. Wetherell for 26s. 6d.; another let to Isabell Wedgwood for 10s.; another let to Tho. and Charles Walker for £41. 8. 4.; another let to Will. Leife for £5. 14. 6.; another, a cottage, let to Rob. Wedgwood for 15s.; the tythes of wool and lamb growing, &c., within the Lordship of Yearsley *alias* Yeversley Peel let to Rob. Jackson at the yearly rent of £7.

In the parish of Bransby, a mess^{ge}., &c. (tythes not included) let to Rob. Foster for £10. 10.; another let to Will. Marshall for £18.; and a third let to Dorath[y] Nickson for £10. 10. (All let from year to year.)

In Oulstone, parish of Coxwold, the manour of Oulston with Courts Leet, &c.; a Capital Messuage or Chief Mansion called Ouleston Hall farm, garden, &c., and lands, &c., let to John Smith for £72.; part of the mess^{ge}., farm, garden, &c., let to Will. Barwich for £23. 6. 8.; the other part let to Margaret Barwich, widow, for £9. 2. 6.; another let to George Barker for 36s.; a cottage let to Mary Bower, spinster, for 10s.; a cottage and garth let to Edw. Bower for 8s.; a cottage and garth let to John Burgess for 5s.; a mess^{ge}. or cottage and garth let to Lionell Crosby for 8s.; a mess^{ge}., farm, &c., let to Tho. Crosby for £17. 0. 6.; another let to Stephen Copland for 31s.; another let to Tho. Copland for £5.; a cottage let to George Dum for 4s.; several closes let to John Dowthwait for £6.; a cottage and garth let to Tho. Farnham for 16s.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to John Farnham for £12. 5. 6.; another let to John Gibson for £3. 15.; another let to Edw. Harding for £9. 15.; a cottage and garth let to Tho. Harker for 6s.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Ann. Holegate for £4. 8.; another let to John Hudson for £3. 6. 6.; another let to Robert Jackson for £17. 10., by lease for 21 years; a coney-warren let by the late Earl Faukonberge to Mr. Rob. Jackson, by lease for 21 years, for £10. a year; a cottage and garth let to Leon. Jefferson for 6s.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Stephen Jefferson for £3. 14.; another let to Mary Lee, widow, for £20. 7. 2.; a cottage and garth let to John Lealman for 4s.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Wilfrid Mosey for £15. 5. 10.; another let to Will. Morrell for £20.; a cottage and garth let to Tho. Meace for 10s.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Tho. Nicholson for £8. 16.; a cottage and garth let to Henry Ridsdale for 7s.; a cottage and garth let to Elizth. Seamer, widow, for 9s.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to John Spetill for 35s.; another let to Richard Codd for £13. 10.; a cottage and garth let to Geo. Thompson for 4s.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Will. Walker for £10.; several closes let to John Walker for £16. 17.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Will. Winter for £15. 8.; a cottage and garth let to Geo. Walker for 8s.; several closes let to Fr. Walkden for £9. 11.; the tythes of corn, hay, wool and lamb, and all other tythes great and

small, &c., arising within the Lordship of Oulestone, let from year to year to Mr. Rob. Jackson, together with the tythes of Thornton-upon-the-Hill, parish of Coxwold, for £36. a year.

In the said Lordship of Thornton, the Mannour of the same, with all rights, members, &c.; the Capital Messuage of Thornton-upon-the-Hill Farm, &c., let from year to year to Elizth. Martin, widow, for £69. 5.; several closes, &c., let to John Burgess for £3. 15.; several closes, &c., let to . . . for £12. 5.; the like let to Edward Bower for £13. 6. 8.; the like let to Tho. Coopland for £7. 11. 8.; the like let to Tho. Crosby for £3. 12.; the like let to Geo. Cundall for £2. 4.; the like and a barn let to John Driffeild for £31. 17. 4.; the like let to John Farnham for £2. 5.; the like let to John Gibson for £4.; the like let to John Hodgson for £5. 3. 6.; a tenement, farm, &c., let to Geo. Hodgson for £23. 10.; the like let to Geo. Hewthwaite for £24.; the like let to Rich. Hill for £32.; several closes, &c., let to Leon. Jefferson for £11.; the like let to Wilfrid Mosey for £16.; the like let to Tho. Nicholson for £29. 1. 8.; a farm let to Matthew Nicholson for £37.; several closes let to Will. and Rob. Grain for (?) £61.; several closes let to John Smith for £13.; the like let to Will. Smith for £14. 4.; the like let to John Spetill for £4. 12.; the like let to Geo. Walker for £9.; a farm let to Fr. Walkden for £16.; the like let to John Mercer for £47. 10.

In Angram, parish of Coxwold, all tythes whatever arising in Angram Grange let to Tho. More, Esq., for £10.

In Carleton, parish of Husthwaite, and in Wilden, parish of Coxwold, all tythes whatever (Easter reckonings, which the parson receives in part [*in lieu* interlined above] of his salary, excepted) let to John Cooper for £36. 10.

In Birdforth, parish of Coxwold, all tythes whatever (Easter reckonings, which the parson receives in lieu of part of his salary, excepted) let to John Conyers, Esq., for £13.

In the parish of Husthwait, and in Baxby in the parish of Coxwold, several closes in the former let to Will. Dobson for £3. 5.; the like to John Fisher for £4.; all tythes, &c., whatsoever arising in the two places named, except Easter reckonings, let to Mr. Francis Goulton for £40.

In Coxwold, the manor thereof, with all rights, &c., with Capital Mansion-house in Coxwold, &c., and all tythes whatsoever arising therein, let to Charles Hill for £9. 12. 4., and one hen; a mess^{ge}, &c., let (tythe-free) to Rob. Atley for £2. 2. 8.; the like let to Tho. Barwick for £30. 14., and a hen; several closes, &c. (tythe-free) let to John (?) Binge for £6. 0. 9.; the like let to James Buckle for £3. 6. 4.; two closes, &c., let to Oswold Buckle for £20.; a mess^{ge},

&c., let to Will. Clarke for £3. 0. 8., and a hen ; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Rob. Deighton for £8. 13. 1., and a hen ; the like let to Will. Dale for £75. 9. 10., and a hen ; the like let to Elizth. Forster, widow, for £18., and a hen ; the like let to Michaell Fox for £25. 2. 2., and a hen ; the like let to Mary Fox, widow, for 8s. 9d., and a hen ; several closes, &c., let to Will. Gamble for £4. 17. ; the like let to Andrew Layton for £2. 4. 4. ; a close let to Will. Mitchell for £2. 11. 8. ; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to the Reverend Mr. Rob. Midgley for £7. 1. 4., and a hen ; the like let to Henry Nicholson for £1., and a hen ; the like let to John Nicholson for £5. 13., and a hen ; the like let to Geo. Raggett for £47., and a hen ; the like let to Will. Raper for £11. 9. 6., and a hen ; the like let to Chr. Raper for £18. 9. 4., and a hen ; the like let to Rob. Raper for £4. 10., and a hen ; the like let to Anth. Coghill and Rich. Sterricar for £15. 18. 6., and a hen ; the like let to Rich. Stead for £4. 5. 10., and a hen ; the like let to Will. Salmon for £2. 16. 7., and a hen ; the like let to Rich. Sadler for £7. 10. 8., and a hen ; the like let to John Smirk for £2. 12., and a hen ; the like let to Tho. Thomson (or his assigns) by lease, for the term of 21 years, if the said Tho. Thomson, or Catherine his [sic] father or mother, or any of them so long live, for £2. 10. ; several closes, &c., let to the Reverend Mr. Henry Thomson for £11. 17. 2. ; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Will. Wetherell for £19. 12., and a hen ; another let to Peter Whimp for £50., and a hen ; another let to (?) Ana Wilbert for £7. 4. 2., and a hen ; another let to Jane Young, widow, for £10. 14. 7., and a hen ; a mess^{ge}. or cottage let to John Sundley without any rent reserved on the account of his poverty and numerous family ; another let to Thos. Nicholson under the same circumstances ; yet others let to Michaell Nicholson, Magdalen Wade, Ann Barker, Elizth. Roantree, widow, and William Forster, under the like circumstances, and in the case of the last-named because of "his building the same."

In Old Byland, the Manor or Lordship of the same, with all rights, &c., in my own possession ; a mess^{ge}., &c., tythe-free (as are all that follow), let to Mary Abram, widow, for £5. 1. ; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to John Abram for £5. 13. 1½. ; the like let to Isabell Abbot for £7. 17. 4. ; the like let to John Abbot for £16. 15. 11. ; several closes, &c., let to Geo. Buttey for £3. 10. ; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Tho. Bolton for £2. 17. ; the like let to Elizth. Coates, widow, for £1. ; the like let to John Cole for £20. 16. 2. ; the like let to Tho. Cole for £14. 8. 4. ; a cottage, &c., let to Rob. Carter for 2s. ; the like let to Tho. Coverdale for 1s. 4d. ; a mess^{ge}., farm, &c., let to John Frear for £20. ; several closes, &c., let to John Garbutt for £1. 12. 2. ; a cottage let to John Mayson for 5s. ; a farm, &c., let to Tho. Pannett for £2. 12. 11. ; the like let to Tho. Rowland for £9. 4. 2. ; the like

let to Tho. Story for £35. 11. 6.; the like let to John Sparrow for £15. 17. 9.; the like let to James Sherwood for £24. 19. 2.; a cottage, &c., let to Elizth. Hornby for 1s.; a ten^t. or farm let to Mary Hornby for £8. 5. 1.; the like let to Ann Hornby, widow, for £7. 1. 11.; a cottage, &c., let to John Hildrith for 1s.; a farm, &c., let to Tho. Homes for £7. 0. 11.; a cottage let to John Holliday for 4s.; a farm, &c., with a water-mill, let to John Harrison for £8. 13. 6.; a cottage let to Tho. Hartley for 1s. 4d.; a farm, &c., let to Tho. Shaw for £16. 5.; several closes, &c., let to Will. Wildon for £1. 12. 2.; a farm, &c., let to Tho. Wildon, sen^r., for £40.; the like let to Tho. Wildon, jun^r., for £26. 12.; the like let to Will. Yalwith for £1. 3. 4.

In Over Silton, the Manor or Lordship there with all rights, &c., in my own possession; a messuage or tenement, farm, &c., tythe-free, let to Ralph Batminson for £1. 13.; a free-rent of 4½d. paid by Rob. Wilkinson; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to the late John Belwood, his heirs, &c., for £10.; a cottage, &c., let to Mary Belwood, widow, for 1s.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Tho. Cass for £11. 6.; the like let to Will. Cummin for £4.; a cottage, &c., let to John Hildreth for 4s.; a mess^{ge}., farm, &c., let to Chr. Hoggart for £18. 2.; the like let to James Smith for £1. 7.; the like let to James Todd for £6. 1. 6.; the like let to John Trousdale for £2. 14.; the like let to Will. Wilson for £41.; the like let to James Walker for £17. 9.; the like let to Rich. Weighill for £14. 14. 6.; in this farm are about four acres of woody ground; a mess^{ge}., farm, &c., let to John Weigheild for £21. 12. 6.; the like let to Elizth. Weigheild for £6. 14.; the like let to Rich. Waind for £10. 2.; the like let to Will. Walker for £19. 16.; a cottage, &c., let to Merild Wilson for 7s. 8d.; Robert Wilkinson pays a modus of 11s. yearly for all manner of tythes; several closes, &c., let to Tho. Coates for £7. 2. 8.; several closes, with the appurtenances, whereof about thirteen acres are woody grounds, let to Rich. Hardwick for £21.

In the parish of Leeke, and in Kepwick in the parish of Over Silton, the Manor or Lordship of Kepwick, with all, &c., in my own possession; several free-rents amounting to the sum of 8s. 7d.; a mess^{ge}., farm, &c., tythe-free, let to John Belwood for £14. 18.: in this farm are about two acres of woody ground; a cottage let to Rich. Appleton for 1s.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Rob. Britain for £6.; the like let to John Best for £10.; the like let to Tho. Coates for £82. 14. 11.; the like let to Dorothy Coates for £14. 4. 8.; the like let to Will. Dobson for £50.; a cottage let to John Hopton for 15s. 4d.; the like let to James Gibson for 3s. 8d.; a mess^{ge}., farm, &c., let to Rich. Hardwick for £29.; the like let to Rob. Lickley for £4. 16.; the like let to Will. Mothersall

for £8. 19.; the like let to Bet Mothersall for £1. 14. 6.; the like let to Mary Mothersall for £8. 13. 3.; the like let to John Dale for £42.; the like let to Tho. Thomson for £2. 0. 2.; the like let to Geo. Taylor for £23. 3. 4.; the like let to Rob. Thomson for £3. 7.; the like let to John Waire, jun^r., for £4. 12.; the like let to Will. Waire for £7. 5.; the like let to Geo. Windross for £9. 10.; the like let to Will. Wilson for £40.; a cottage, &c., let to John Waire for 6s.; a mess^{ge}., farm, &c., let to John Whitwell for £18.; the like let to John Hodgson, jun^r., for £14. 1. 8.; the like let to Chr. Hodgson for £2. 6.: OF WHICH SAID MANNOURS OR LORDSHIPPS, messuages, farms, lands, tenements, tyths, rents and hereditaments in this Register or Perticular abovewritten mentioned I, the said Thomas, Viscount Fauconberg, am in the receipt and perception of the rents and profitts, and am possessed of the residue of a terme therein for ninety-nine years without impeachment of or for any manner of waiste, if I shal so long live, with remainder after several others to me the said Visc^t. Falconberg in fee simple, as heir at law to the late Earl Fauconberg, my unckle, deceased, save that of the said feefarm rent of £7. 10. issuing out of the Mannour of Newbrough, and of 4½d. out of Over Silton, and of 8s. 7½d. issueing out of Kepwick, and of 15s. 8d. out of Morton descended to me by the death of Rowland Belasye my father, deceased, I am seised in fee simple, and in the closes in Hushwait held by copy of Court Roll within the said Mannour of Hushwait, I, the said Viscount Fauconberge, have a trust or equitable estate to me and my heirs, according to the custom of the said Mannour, under the accustomed fines and rent for the same: and save also that of the gleabe lands (if any such there be) and tyths aforesaid scituare, &c., ariseing, &c., within the said several Mannours, Lordshipps, towneshipps, hambletts and granges above-mentioned (the farms in Bransby only excepted), and also within and upon the hamlett or stead of Weathercoate in the Registry after-mentioned and conteined, I, the said Visc^t. Fauconberdge, am only possessed of the residue of the terme for twenty yeares to me thereof granted by the Right Worshipfull Richard Bentley, D.D., Master of [the] College of the Holy and Undevided Trinity, within the towne and County of Cambridge, and the fellows and scholars of the same, by Ind^{re}. bearing date Feby. 20, 1712, and the yearly rents and reservations undermentioned of £25. 4. 4½., nineteen quarters of wheat, and twenty-five quarters and one bushell of barley-malt, or, in lieu thereof, so much ready money after the rait and price the best wheat and malt in Cambridge markett shal be respectively sold for the next markett-daye before the same rent shall become due; and to repair the said chancells and chapells in the severall mannours or lordshipps, townshi^ps, hamletts and grainges aforesaid; and to find three suffi-

cient curates to officiate in the several churches and chappells of Coxwould, Husthwait and Over Silton : and to allow to such curates the summe of £47. over and above the sum of £20. allowed by the said Master, Fellows and Scholars of the said college out of the said yearly rents for that purpose to be paid and distributed, together with the said sum of £20. to and amongst such curates in such proportions as in the said lease in that behalf is mentioned and expressed : And further to pay all manner of taxes, sesses and outgoings whatsoever, as in the said lease, relation being thereunto had, may more at large appear ; the which said lease is renewable at the end of every seven years, and was last renewed under the fine of £400., and was bequeathed by the late Earle Fauconberge in his last will and testament, after my decease and after the decease of my brother, John Belasyse, Esq., to my brother, Rowland Belasyse, Esq., and is charged by the will of the said Earle with the annual payment of £50. without deduction to my said brother Rowland and his assignes during the life of me the said Viscount. The said respective tennants and farmers above-mentioned enjoy the said tyths and oblations together with their said respective farmes (Easter reckonings excepted, which the parsons have in part of their sallarys). And the said other mannours, lordshipps, messuages, lands, &c., are subject to and charged with the payments of the summes following : To WIT Thornton-upon-the-Hill with the payment of a cheif rent of 3s. 4d. to the Countess of Derby ; the lands and tenements in Husthwait with a payment of a chief rent of 6s. 3d. to the Lord of Lords thereof ; Old Byland, or some part or parts thereof, with the payment of the yearly summe of £20. to Mrs. Chambers duering her life, and the yearly summe of £10. to Mr. Royles duering his life ; and the Mannor or Lordshipp of Kepwick with the payment of a modus of 40s. a yeare to the Curate of Crosby in Yorkshire in lieu of all manner of tyths, and of another modus of 13s. 4d. to Mr. Brass, Rector of Leake, and of 2s. to the Curate of Leake in lieu and like satisfaction of all manner of tyths. Besides the premisses in this Registry abovementioned, there is a Hospitall for the habitation of eight poor women erected and endowed by my ancestors, the nomination of which poor women to the Hospitall I have, and do pay out of the said premisses, or some parts thereof, for their subsistance, to each of them 40s. a yeare, and one quarter of a chalder of coales, and five yards of cloth every two yeares for their cloathing.

In Sutton-in-the-Forest, the Mannor or Lordship thereof, with all rights, &c., in my own possession ; several fee-farms or quit-rents paid by the freeholders in the said mannor amounting to £17. 4. 8., which I receive from them as their respective proportions of a free-rent of £50. 7. 4. payable to the Duke of Argyle ; a mess^{ge}, farm, &c., let to

Tho. Bradshaw for £6. 10. 8.; a parcell of ground let to Jane Cusson for 6s. 8d.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Rob. Clerke for £3. 6. 8.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Will. Cobb for £3. 6. 8.; the like let to Edw. Coates for £6. 10.; several closes, &c., let to Rich. Deninson for £10. 6. 8.; two mess^{ges}., farms, &c., let to Rob. Dixon for £12. 7. 4.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Rich. Flawith for £3. 3. 4.; the like let to John Hill, jun^r., for £3. 3. 4.; the like let to Will. Hopperton for £4. 4.; the like let to Jane Hill for £3. 6. 8.; the like let to Tho. Hill for £1.; the like let to Mr. Rich. Harland for £1. 8.; the like let to Tho. Huggan for £2. 0. 8.; several closes, &c., let to Rich. Harland, Esq., for £5. 14.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Tho. Johnson for £6. 13. 4.; the like let to Anth. Jewett for £2. 3. 4.; the like let to Tho. Morrell for £3. 3. 4.; the like let to Rich. Morrell for £3. 3. 4.; the like let to Rob. Martin for £5. 13. 2.; the like let to Martin Cross for £10. 8.; several closes let to Mabell Mason for £1. 13. 4.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Nich. Park for £6. 11. 6.; a cottage, &c., let to Anne Ransome for £1. 10.; the like let to John Rountree for 1s.; two mess^{ges}., &c., let to Rich. Raper for £5. 7. 4.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Rich. Simpson for £7. 2. 4.; the like let to Anne Simpson for £8. 10.; the like let to Tho. Sheelds for £4. 13. 4.; the like let to John Sharp for £3. 0. 9.; the like let to John Simpson for £3. 10.; the like let to John Sigsworth for £5.; the like let to Edw. Simpson for £6. 3. 8.; the like let to Elizth. Simpson for £1. 4.; the like let to Will. Sharr for £2. 7. 4.: the like let to John Sturdy for £4. 13. 4.; the like let to Rich. Simpson for £6. 6. 8.; the like let to Will. Sigsworth for £2. 17. 4.; the like let to Tho. Sands for 10s.; the like let to John Tomlin for £5. 0. 8.; the like let to Edwin Tayler for £6. 10. 6.; the like let to Will. Tindall for £1. 13. 4.; the like let to Rich. (?) Uance for £17. 8. 2.; the like let to John Viccars for £3. 6. 8.; the like let to John Wright for £4. 6. 8.; the like let to John Wright for £3.; the like let to John Wardell for £9. 14. 6.; the like let to Nich. Wright for £3. 3. 4.; two mess^{ges}., &c., let to John Wright for £14. 4. 4.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Will. Wright for £1. 4.; the like let to Tho. Wright for £5. 5.; the like let to Rich. Wright for £8.; several closes, &c., let to Will. Walker for £3. 6. 8.; a mess^{ge}. let to Jane Wallis for £1. 10.; the like let to Geo. Wilson for £3. 3. 4.; the like let to James Wood for £7. 9.

In the parish of Yarum, the Mannour or Lordshipp thereof, with all the usual rights, &c., and escheates thereunto belonging, with Copy-holders' fines and services uncertain, in my own possession; several fee-farm or quit rents paid by the freeholders within the said mannour amounteing to £3. 8. 5.; a Faire held in Yarum four times in the year, and a market kept there once in every week, let, or the profitts

or perquisitts of such fairs and marketts, together with the Tolbooth of Yarum, with all tolls, pickle^{*} and stallage, and all other rights, &c., thereunto belonging, said to be lett by the late Earl Fauconberge to Geo. Allan by lease for 99 years (though without power to demise for above twenty-one years), now in the possession of James Cooke, Esq., for £10. 13. 4. a year, who also pays by agreement in writing between the said late Earl of Fawconberge and Tho. Allan, a former assignee of the said lease, the further sum of £3. 13. 4. in consideration of rebuilding the tollbooth at the said Earles charge : and also pays the further rent of 6s. 8d., but having no counterpart of such lease or agreement, cannot further set forth the same ; several messuages or tenements, farmes, gardens, orchards, horse-milne and curtilages, with several lands, tenements, &c., belonging to the late Earl Fauconberge let to Geo. Allan for the term of 99 years (though without power to demise for more than 21 years), now in the possession of James Cooke, Esq., or his assignes, for £55. ; a cottage, &c., let to Rob. Ainsley for 13s. 4d. ; a farm and several closes, &c., let to John Butterwick by lease for 21 years for £14. 12. 4. ; a cottage, &c., let by the late Earl Fauconberge to Rob. Perkins by lease for 99 years (though without power, &c.) now in the possⁿ. of Ephraim Codling and Matthew Cowle for 6s. ; a cottage, &c., let to James Coatesworth for 2s. ; the like let to John Dixon for 3s. ; a mess^{ge}e., farm, &c., let by lease for 21 years to John Holtby for £19. 8. 2. ; the like let by lease for 21 years to John Holtby for £6. ; the like, let as the last, to the same for 25s. ; a cottage, &c., with part of a fishery in the river of Teese, with, &c.,

* A "Pitched-market," Halliwell tells us, is "one in which corn is bought and sold by the sack, not by the sample"; and a little below he defines "Pitching-pence" as "pence formerly paid in fairs and markets from every bag of corn," which is simply taken verbatim from Brand's "Popular Antiquities," without enquiry or attempt to ensure accuracy, or indeed with any sort of reference to the fact that the extract from Brand is in fact the substance of a note on the word "pickle." The word occurs in the following passage :—"Two annual fairs held on the Town Moor at Newcastle-upon-Tyne are called Lammas and St. Luke's fairs, from the days on which they begin. Bourne, in his history of that town, tells us that the tolls, booths, stallage, pickle, and courts of pie-poudre to each of these fairs, were reckoned, *communibus annis*, at £12., in the time of Oliver Cromwell." My impression is, that Halliwell and his authority—the same in either case—are falling short of the fact in limiting the application of the word "pitch" or "pitching," used in connection with a fair, to the one commodity of corn. I have myself heard within the last twenty years the word applied, both at the so-called cheese-fair and at the customary markets held in the Cheddar cheese district, to the supplies of cheese brought and exposed for sale : and I have reason to think that the words concerned—which take the form *pick*, or *picking*, or *pickle*, in the north—are applied in the case of any article or commodity exposed for sale at a fair or market. The idea seems to be precisely the idea involved when we speak of "pitching a tent," or "pitching the wickets" in cricket-playing, and so forth; and as to the hard sound in *pick*, we may collate *kirk* for *church*, *birk* for *birch*, and the like without stint.

let by the late Earl Fauconberge to Tho. Harker by lease for 99 years (though without power, &c.) for £2. 10.; a cottage, &c., let to James Gedling for 3s.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let by the late Earl of Fauconberge by lease for 99 years to Jonathan Knowles for £16. 13. 4.; a cottage, &c., let by the same by lease for 99 years (as before) to Chr. Metcalfe for 12s.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Geo. Mitchell for 7s.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let by the late Earl Fauconberge by lease for 31 years (as above) to Tho. Robinson for £20.; the like let to Will. Relph for 5s.; a cottage, &c., let to Will. Scott for 1s.; a mess^{ge}. let to John Willeis by lease for 21 years for £14.; OF WHICH said manours, &c., in this Registry or Perticular abovewritten (beginning with Sutton-in-the-Forest) mentioned, I, the said Visc^t. Fauconberge, am possessed of the residue of a term of 99 years without impeachment of or for any manner of waist, if I shal so long live, and am in the perception of the rents, &c., subject to an annual rent of £50. 3. 4. payable out of Sutton to his Grace, the Duke of Argyle, of which I receive from the respective freeholders within the said Lordshipp £17. 4. 8. above-mentioned, as their respective shares and proportions of the said free-rent.

In Murton in the parish of Hawnby, the Mannour or Lordshipp of the same with all its rights, &c., in my own possession; a free-rent of 16s. 8d. in my own possⁿ.; several closes, &c., let to John Abbot for £2.: in this farm there are about 25 acres of woody ground; several closes, &c., with about two acres of woody ground, let to Isabell Abbot, widow, for £4.; the like, and about two acres of woody ground, let to Elizth. Coates, widow, for £4.; a mess^{ge}., &c., and about thirty acres of woody ground, let to Henry and John Garbutt for £20.; several closes, &c., with about twenty acres of woody ground, let to John Sparrow for £5.; a mess^{ge}., &c., with about 43 acres of woody ground, let to Tho. Fletcher and John Frear for £184.; a mess^{ge}., &c., and about 35 acres of woody ground, let to James Sherwood for £36.

In Dale Towne in the parish of Hawnby, the Mannour, &c., of the same, with all, &c., in my own possⁿ.; a cottage, &c., let to John Brusby for 2s.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to John Harrison for £25.; two mess^{ges}., &c., let to Phillip Harrison for £20.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Chr. Layton for £50.; the like let to Elizth. Scurr, widow, for £50.; several closes, &c., let to Rob. Wood for £18.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to James Sherwood for £46.

In Weathercoat in the parish of Old Byland, several closes, &c., tythe-free, let to John Abbot for £12.; the like let to John Cole for £5. 10.; the like let to Tho. Stordy for £15. 10.; the like let to Tho. Wilson for £11. 9.; of which said manours, &c., in this Registry, &c.,

and I am seised thereof of an estate of freehold for the term of my naturall life without impeachment, &c., save that in the tyths arising, &c., within the hamlet and stead of Wethercoate, as also within other manours, &c., in this Registry expressed, I am only possessed of the residue of a term of twenty years to me granted by lease by the Master and Fellows of Trinity College in Cambridge, at and under the fine, and yearly and other rents and reservations, in this Registry above-mentioned, and subject, together with the tyths in all the other lordships, parishes, &c., comprised in the same lease, to the said annuity of £50. payable to my said brother, Rowland Belasye, and to the other charges before expressed ; And to the other charge in the Registry above particularly expressed, and the other premisses are subject to the outpayments following : viz. Murton to the payment of a modus of 8s., payable to the Rector of Hawnby in lieu and satisfaction of all manner of tyths ; and Dale Town to the payment of an annuall rent of £28. 13. 8. payable to Mr. Alvara Decosta, and of 4s. for a modus, and a tyth called Lammas tyth issueing out of Yowerdase Farme.

In the parish of Felixchurch, the water-pool, meer, or lake commonly called Gormyer, stocked with fish, with the Regalty (? Royalty) thereof, and full and free liberty, &c., of fyshing therein with boats, netts, or otherwise, and landing of the same on the banks thereof, with all ways, watercourses to and from the same, emoluments, &c., in my own possession.

In Lund in the parish of Kirby Overcarr, the Mannour, &c., thereof, with all its rights, &c., in my own possⁿ. ; several fee-farm or quit-rents paid by the freeholders within the said manor amounting together to £2. 14. 10. ; a mess^{ge}., ten^t., farme, &c., let to John Adkinson for £27. ; the like let to Geo. Forster for £27. ; the like let to Rob. Forster for £3. 6. 8. ; the like let to Gaven Woodcock for £12. 6. 8. ; the like let to Tho. Staines and Roger Atkinson for £65., by lease for twenty-one yeares.

In the parish of Alne-cum-Tollerton, the Maunour or Lordshipp thereof, with all their rights, &c., now in my own possⁿ. ; several fee-farm or quit-rents paid by the freeholders within the said manour amounting to £1. 0. 6. ; a fair held, or which may be held, in Tollerton once in the year, with pickleage, stallage, and all other rights, profitts, &c., now in my own possⁿ. ; a mess^{ge}. or farm, &c., in Alne let to Leonard Hall for £3. ; the like, in Tollerton, let to Henry Cussons for £10. : besides the free-rents above-mentioned the Rev. Mr. Frankland pays a fee-farm rent of 16s. 8d. for 100 acres of waist land lying in Alne-cum-Tollerton : Tho. Faudington and several other freeholders within the said parish of Alne-cum-Tollerton pay a fee-farm rent of 16s. 0³/4d.

issueing out of lands called Hall land in the said parish : Will. Bethell, Esq., pays a fee-farm rent of £49. 7. for the Rectory of Alne ; Will. Bethell, Esq., pays a fee-farm rent of £10. 0. 4. for the Capital Mess^{ge}. or Mannour of Alne ; Will. Bethell, Esq., hath heretofore paid (and [it] is now due to be paid) a fee-farm rent of £9. 6. 6. issueinge out of Alne Milne and messuage, but the Milne is now down, and not knowinge where the messuage is, I receive no rent for the same now, nor for severall years bypast.

Other free-rents in the said N. R. of York.—A fee-farm rent of £2. 13. 4. issueing out of Birdforth near Richmond ; a fee-farm rent of £2. 10. issueing out of Thorp near Richmond ; a fee-farm rent of £4. issueing out of Stanhow-close in Temple Dewshere near Richmond ; the Earle of Carlisle pays a fee-farm rent of £2. for the Rectory of Rookby-cum-Murthum ; the co-heirs of the late Lord John Belasyse pay a fee-farm rent of £2. issueing out of Atley Cowton.

In Easingewould and Huby, the Mannour or Lordshipp thereof, with all their rights, &c., with Copyhold fines and services, uncertain now, in my own possⁿ. ; severall fee-farm rents paid by the freeholders in the said mannours amounting to £43. 9. : Of all which said Manours &c., beginning with Felixchurch, I, the said Tho. Visc^t. Fauconberge, am in the receipt and perception of the rents and profitts, and am seised thereof to me and my heirs in fee simple. But the same premises (the said water of Gormyer excepted) are subject to a mortgage or other securitys for the summe of £1,200, whereof £500. rests still unpaid ; and also subject, together with other lands and hereditamentes in the County of Lancaster, to the payment of two severall rent-charges of £200. and £100. to my brother Rowland Belasyse, Esq., for his naturall life without any deductions for taxes or otherways.

[Signed] Thomas Belasyse, Lord Viscount Falconberg,
Baron of Yarum.

The name of the above-named Tho. Belasyse, Lord Visc^t. Fauconberg, Baron of Yarum, was hereunto in open Sessions at the Sessions aforesaid subscribed by Francis Goulton, his attorney lawfully authorised, and the warrant of attorney duly proved and fyld by the Clerk of the Peace, Before us

Roger Talbot
William Reveley.

To the Clerk of the Peace for the N. R., &c., I, Roger Meynell of Kilvington, Esq., in pursuance and obedience to the late Act of Parliament Intituled An Act to oblige Papists, &c.

In Kilvington in the parish of Thornton-in-the-Street, the Mannour or Lordship of the same with all its rights, &c., now in my own possⁿ. ;

the Capitall Messuage or Cheif Mansion House of Kilvington, together with severall houses, outhouses, &c., thereunto belonging; a parcell of ground called the Winterfeild farme conteining 40 acres; several garths conteining about 19 acres; a close called Sowerbutts cont^{ng}. about 10 acres; a close called Calf-close cont^{ng}. about 12 acres; a parcell of land called Garisland cont^{ng}. about 17 acres, all in my own possⁿ.; a mess^{ge}. or ten^t. farm, &c., let from yeare to yeare to Tho. Greenside for £74.; the like let to Marg^t. Milner for £6. 16.; the like let to Chr. Thomson for £11.; the like let to Rich. Gowland for £50. 5.; two closes let to Tho. Kilton for £13. 10. 3.; three cottages let, one to Mary Eeles, another to Winifred Whitfield, another to Marg^t. Joy, without rent; two closes let to Chr. Pybus for £6.; two closes let to John Pareing for £13.; three closes let to John Raper for £11.; two closes let to Geo. Ridsdale for £10.; a mess^{ge}. or farm let to Tho. Sampson for £92. 10.; the like let to Anth. Whitfeild for £16. 16.; the like let to Will. Bell for 13s. 4d.

In Thornton-in-the-Street, a parcell of ground in the Leases containing about 30 acres; a parcell of ground called Crosflats, cont^{ng}. about 17 acres; the like called Sheep-close of about 11 acres; the like called Frigesholme, about 9 acres, all in my own possⁿ.; a mess^{ge}. or farm, &c., let to Tho. Greenside for £28.; the like let to Chr. Lecy (?) for £10. 5.; the like let to Rob. Ramsdall for £3. 10.; a cottage, &c., let to Rich. Coward for 10s.

In Knaton in the parish of Leek, a cottage, &c., let to Peter Barker for £1.; a garth, &c., let to John Parving for 10s.

In the Constabliery of Sowerby, the Mannor or Lordshipp thereof, with all its rights and appurtenances, in my own possⁿ.; several free-rents paid by the freeholders within the said manor amounting to £62. 10., and 86 hens; a cottage let to Tho. Dowglas for 10s.; several parcels of land and three cattle-gates in the Ox-moore let to Will. Hedge for £3. 10.; one close, &c., let to Matt. Butterwick for £2. 10.; the like let to Barth. Alwand for £1. 10.

In the parish of Thirske, a parcell of ground, &c., let to Mary Sadler for £1. 4.; a cottage and garth, &c., let to Will. Barker for £3.; a cottage, &c., let to Tho. Nelson for £3.; a parcell of ground, &c., let to Ralph. Bell, Esq., for £1.

In Yafforth in the parish of Danby, the Mannor or Lordshipp thereof, with all its rights and appurtenances, &c., in my own possⁿ.; a mess^{ge}. farm, &c., let to Leon. Wass for £158.

In Throntoft, in the parish of Anderby Steeple, a mess^{ge}. farm, &c., let to John Dridall for £23. 4.; the like let to Simon Atkinson for £40.; the like let to Will. Rich for £2.; the like let to Chr. Pattison for £2.; the like let to John Squire for £2.; the like let to

John Milburn for £3.; the like let to Mary Greyson for £2.; the like let to Rich. Milburn for £3.; the like let to Tho. Johnson for £2.; the like let to Valentine Wood for £2.; a small parcell of ground, &c., let to Anne Rymer for 8s.

In the parish of Cold Kirby, a mess^{ge}. or farm, &c., let by John Pool, Esq., and Ursula his wife for £10. —OF ALL WHICH said manors, &c., farms, &c., I, the said Roger Meynell, am in receipt and perception, &c. (save only of the mess^{ge}., &c., in Cold Kirby, of which the said John Pool and his wife have for some years since received the rents and profitts, and do still receive the same, as part of his said wife's joyniture from her former husband, Tho. Meynell, Esq., my brother, deceased: but I conceive have been and are so now received through mistake, the same not being comprized within the joyniture appointed and limited for her): and I, the said Roger, am seised of all and singuler the said manors, &c., duering my naturall life, &c., with remainder in the manor, &c., in Yafforth after expiration or other sooner determination of a term of 300 years limitted upon certain trusts declared concerning the same to me and my heirs for ever: And with remainder in the messuages, &c., in Throntoft to my first and other sons in taile male, And for default of such issue, to the use of me, the said Roger, and the heirs of my body lawfully begotten: And with remainder in all the other manors, &c., in this Registry described to me and my heirs, as heir-at-law to Roger Meynell of Kilvington aforesaid, Esq., my father, deceased; But the said premisses are respectively subject to a forfeited mortgage of £400. and to several debts secured out of the same, amounting to £1,000.: And to the yearly rents or outgoings following,—viz. to a rent-charge of £5. payable to Rich. Coward during his life without deduction for taxes, issueing out of Yafforth; and of a free-rent issueing out of the same of 5s. 7d., payable to the heirs of Will. Paul, Esq.; to a free-rent of 13s. 4d. issueing out of the premisses in Thornton-in-the-Street, payable to the Bishop of Durham; to a fee-farm rent of £1. 14. 4. issuing out of Kilvington and payable to William, Henry and Charles Egerton, Esquires, and to a modus of £8. 14. 8. in lieu of all tyths (corn tyths excepted) payable to the parson of the parish of Thornton-in-the-Street; to one other fee-farm rent or yearly payment of £14. 2. 4. to the said William, Henry and Charles Egerton, Esquires, issuing out of Sowerby; to a fee-farm or quit-rent of 1s., payable to the same three gentlemen issuing out of the premisses in Thirske; and to a free-rent of 4s. 4d. payable to the Lord Downes, and issuing out of the premisses in Cold Kirby.

Subscribed by Roger Meynell himself in open Sessions before Roger Talbot and William Reveley.

To the Clerk of the Peace, &c., I, John Mayes, of the Freerage near Yarum, &c., &c.

In the Constabulary of High Worksale and parish of Northallerton, a Capital Mess^{ge}., or Cheif Mansion-howse called the Freerage Hall, with all houses, outhouses, &c.; one close called the Lower Freerage garth cont^{ng}. about 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ acres, both in my own possⁿ; a malt-kiln, with the appurtenances, let to Lawrence Dent after the rate of 2s. 6d. for every fifty bushells of barley or bigg he shall make into malt, amounting one year with another to about £1. 10., but is an uncertain value; part of a mess^{ge}. or dwelling-house, garden, &c., let to John Willis for £1. 15.; one other part of the same mess^{ge}., &c., let to Fr. Dent for £1. 10., but being very poor and necessitous, I receive from the Overseers of the poor of the parish of Yarum 10s. for a halfe year's rent on his behalfe; a mess^{ge}. or dwelling-house, &c., let to Mr. Rich. Amy for £5. 15.; part of a mess^{ge}. or dwelling-house, &c., and part of a garth, &c., thereunto belonging, let to Elizah Robinson, widow, for £3. 5.; the other part of the same let to Rob. Wood, for £3. 2. 6d.; a smithy or smithy-shop let to Will. Harperley for £1. 15.; a small parcell of ground, &c., cont^{ng}. 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ acre, let to Will. Dodsworth for £4.

In the parish of Yarum, a parcell of ground called the Spittle-garris, now devided into two small fields, cont^{ng}. together 8 acres, now in my own possⁿ; two closes with a cowhouse erected thereupon, let to Gabraell Awderson for £29., and he to give yearly the manure bred at his own house, I leading the same to the said closes at my charge; two other closes, with a cowhouse, &c., let to Rob. Hutchinson for £14.; one other close and cowhouse, &c., let to Elizth. Coatesworth for £7.; a free fishery in the River of Tease, with one intire boat, with the appurtenances, let to Jonathan Knowles for the yearly rent of £2. and a salmon in Lent; a mess^{ge}., burgage, or ten^t., &c., scituate upon the East Row of the said town of Yarum, and several lands, &c., thereto belonging, let by my grandfather, Lawrence Sayer of Warsall, Esq., to Will. Busby of Yarum, yeoman, by lease dated Feby. 3, 1644, for 100 years, at the yearly rent reserved therein of 12d., by two equal half-yearly payments; the which said burgage or dwelling-house, and other, the premisses, are now in the hands of Mr. Tho. Lyth, or of Mr. Geo. Mathews, Isaac Reed, James Routh, and Jos. Linley, as under-tenants of the said Tho. Lyth, or of others; but not knowing how far the premises granted and demised by the said lease do extend, I refer myself to the said lease as to the parcells thereby granted, and the other persons, whose several occupations such premises now are: Of ALL WHICH said Capitall and other messuages, &c., in this Registry named, I, the said John Mayes, am in receipt of the rents, &c., save that of the mess^{ge}., &c., above-mentioned to be demised by

my grandfather as above stated, &c., I never yet had or received any rent for the same, but I conceive I have good right and title thereunto. And I, the said John Mayes, am seised of all and singuler the premisses to me and my heirs in fee simple, subject to a free-rent of 7s. yearly payable to the Lord Visc^t. Fauconberg, and issueing out of the said premisses in Yarum aforesaid.

The name of the said John Mayes was subscribed at the Sess^{ns}. aforesaid by Fr. Goulton, his Attorney, &c., in the presence of the two Justices before named.

To the Clerk of the Peace, &c., I, Geo. Kingsley, of the parish of St. Martines-in-the-Feilds, in the County of Middlesex, gentleman, &c.

In Ormesby, one mess^{ge}. or farm, &c., let by lease paroll for three years, comencing from March 25, 1716, made by me and my brother, Mr. Will. Kingsley, or our order, to Geo. Atkinson for £75. a year: no fine; one undevided moiety of all which said mess^{ge}., farm, &c., I am seised of for the term of my naturall life, the remainder to the heirs of my body: and for want of such issue, the remainder to my said brother for the term of his naturall life, the remainder to the heirs of his body: the other moiety thereof my said brother William is seised of for the term of his natural life, the remainder to the heirs of his body; and for want of such issue the remainder to me for my life and to my heirs after me.

The name of the said Geo. Kingsley was subscribed, &c., by his Attorney, Fr. Goulton, at the Sessions aforesaid, and in the presence of the said two Justices.

To the Clerk of the Peace, &c., I, Anthony Jackson of the City of Durham, gentleman, &c.

In Knayton in the parish of Leeke, a mess^{ge}., farm, &c., let to Rob. Allison for £45.; a cottage and garth, &c., let to Jos. Appleby for £2. 10.; the like let to John Busby for £1. 10.; a cottage, &c., let to the Overseers of the poor of Knayton, in the occupation of Elizah Wade at the yearly rent of 7s.; a small parcell of ground, &c., let to Tho. Kilvington for 5s.; Of all which said messuages, &c., I, the said Anth. Jackson, am in the receipt, &c., and do hold the same to me and my heirs according to the custom of the manor of Northallerton, as heir-at-law to Tho. Jackson, my father, deceased, subject to a fine of 20s., or thereabouts, for admittance, and to a yearly rent of 14s. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

Subscribed for him by Fr. Goulton, before the same two Justices.

To the Clerk of the Peace, &c., I, Richard Aspinwell, of Aldbrough, gentleman, In pursuance, &c.

In Aldbrough in the parish of St. John's, a mess^{ge}. or dwelling-house and mault-kilne, &c., now in my own possⁿ.; a farm and several lands,

&c., let to John Robinson for £11. 10.; a farm, two orchards and garden, &c., let to Jane Seymer for £1.; Of all which mess^{ges}., &c., I am in receipt of the rents, &c., and am seised thereof, &c., in fee simple, subject to and chargeable with the severall debts of £100. and £200.

Subscribed, &c., as in the previous instances.

To the Clerk of the Peace, &c., I, Frances Kennett of the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, am possessed of and intitled unto an annuity of £100. secured to me by Indentures of Lease and Release, dated respectively 9th and 10th of Oct., 1688, the Indenture of Lease being tripartite, Between Cuthb. Kennet of Coxhow, Esq., of the first part, Will. Bradshaugh of Middleham, Durham, Esq., and Nich. Kennett of Coxhow, gentⁿ., of the second, and Rich. Townley of Townley, Lancs., Esq., Fr. Coward of Corby Castle, Cumberland, Esq., and Charles Townley of Townley, son and heir apparent of the said Rich. Townley, on the third part, putporteing A SETTLEMENT on my marriage with the said Cuthb. Kennet, my late husband, of several manors, lands, &c., to the uses therein mentioned, by which said Indentures of Lease and Release, and by a Recovery therein covenanted, &c., the said Cuthb. Kennet did grant, settle, and convey (among other manors, &c.) an annual rent or rent charge of £100. issuing out of the manor of Girsby; to and for the several uses, &c., and, amongst others, from and imediately after his decease to the use and behoofe of me, for my life, &c., by virtue of which several Indentures, &c., I am entitiled to the said annuity, and am in possⁿ. thereof, subject to an abatement of £28., by agreement, out of the same, and out of another rent-charge of £150. payable to me by virtue of the same settlement out of the manor of Coxhow in the County Pallatine of Durham.

The name subscribed by Fr. Goulton, &c., as before.

To the Clerk of the Peace, &c., I, Jane Tootell of Arundale Castle in Sussex, widdow, &c., an annuity, yearly sum or rent-charge of £16., secured on the lands, &c., of Simon Scrope of Danby on Yore, in Danby, Stainton, and Spennithorn, in consideration of £180. paid over to the said Simon Scrope by the said Jane Tootell, then Jane Trapps, of which sum £20. had been repaid, and the original rent-charge of £18. reduced to the present £16. Subscribed for her by Fr. Goulton, &c., as above.

Thomas Stonor of Stonor, in the County of Oxon, Esq., &c., the Mannour or Lordship of Atclay or Long Cowton, Long Cowton parish, with all commons, wasts, wastegrounds, royalties, rights, etc.—viz., one farm in the occupation of Mark Lawson, let by article or agreement in writing made by Will. Frankland, gentⁿ., steward to me

and others, to Mark Lawson and Tho. Lawson for £35. a year, a farm or farms let to John Mayson, Jas. Layton, John Simpson, John Pybus, and Julian Kingston, widow, being three tenements or dwelling-houses, outhouses, &c., in the said parish, for £74. 2. 6.; a farm called Moor Farm, with a garth thereto belonging, let to Tho. Layton for £21.; a farm in the occupation of Jas. Layton, Chr. Crawford, and John Mayson, or one of them, let by me and others for £72. a year; a farm in the occupation of John Gillery, let for £12.; one tenement or dwelling-house and garth in the occupation of Chr. Duckett, weaver, and Sam Headlam, let for £3.; a dwelling-house and garth let to Emme Prissick and John Hoggett, carpenter, for £3. 3. 4.; a farm let to Rich. Taylor, tayler, for £23.; a farm called Horseclose Farm let by article, &c., to Tho. Booth, jun^r., for £45.; a little dwelling-house, &c., let to Ann Morgan, widow, and Rich. Mudd, tayler, at the yearly rack-rent of 8s.; a farm called Feedill Farm let to Henry Simpson at the yearly rack-rent of £31. A fee-farm rent issuing and payable yearly out of lands, &c., belonging to Tho. Hall, Esq., and now in the occupation of Will. Bulmer, in the parish of Smeaton, annually amounting to 1s. 4d.

The Mannour or Lordship of South Cowton with all commons, &c., in South Cowton parish, as followeth:—A farm let to John Dent, weaver, at the yearly rack-rent of £48.; a farm and part of Atley Feild Farm let by article, &c., to Mary Perkinson, widow, at the reserved rent of £76.; a farm, being a barn and other part of Attley Feild Farm called Attley Moore, let by article to Geo. Cust for £14. 17. 4.; a farm let to Phillip Phillips at the yearly rack-rent of £33.; a farm called South Cowton Hall, being the Mannour House, outhousing and ground thereto belonging, let to Jas. Layton, jun^r., at the yearly rack-rent of £40. 10.; a farm called South Moores Farm, let by articles, &c., made by Henry Copeland, gent^r., late steward to me and others, to Chr. Cust, sen^r., for £19. 10.; a farm, being housing and ground, the North Moiety of Whinham or Whinholme Farm, now commonly called Mitchell Farme, let to Henry Stephenson, gent^r., and Will. Robinson, or one of them, for £30.; a farm let to John Robinson, shoomaker, for £37. 10.; a farm let to Chr. Young for £17.; a farme called Attleyhill Farme let to Geo. Cust for £18. 6. 8.; a modus for tyth of a farm and lands called Atley Hill, in the occupation of Rob. Alcock, being the yearly sum of £1.; a modiss in lieu of tythes of a farm called Temple Farm in the occupation of John Jolly, jun^r., being the yearly sum of 6s. 8d.; the tyth of and for lands called Mitchell-feild Farm, belonging to Cuthbert Pepper, Esq., in the occupation of John Jolly and Geo. Taylor, carpenter, let by lease-parole to Mr. Henry Stephenson for £6.; a modus in lieu of tyths of

a farm called Rossmye and the Hill Farm belonging to John Wastell, Esq., in the occupation of Rich. Gamble and Chr. Cust, jun^r., the yearly sum of 10s.; a modus, &c., of a farm called the South Moyety of Whinnam or Whinholme, the estate of the said Mr. Henry Stephenson, the yearly sum of 13s. 4d.; a modus, &c., of a farm called Johnson's Farm in the occupation of Fabian Duckett, 2s. 5½d. yearly; the tyths of certain farms and lands which are tythable in North Cowton in the said parish of South Cowton, let to Ralph Walker at the yearly composition or rent of £20.: Out of and for which said Mannour or Lordship in Atcley or Long Cowton there is issuing and payable yearly to His Grace, Charles Duke of Shrewsbury, for and during the natural life of Dr. Will. Talbot, now Bishop of Sarum, an annuity, rent-charge, or annual sum of £100.; also an annuity, &c., of £5. to Mrs. Anne Stapleton duering her life, and likewise a fee-farm rent of 12s. 1d. to the heirs of the late Will. Paul, Esq., and out of which said mannor in South Cowton next before mentioned there is issuing yearly to the Right Hon^{ble}. Thomas, Lord Viscount Falconberg, a fee-farm rent of £2.; also a fee-farm rent of 10s. to the heirs of the said Will. Paul, Esq.

The Mannour or Lordship of Whitwell *alias* Whitwell-in-the-Whinns in the parish of Catterick and certain lands, &c., in the parish of Danby-upon-the-Whiske, as followeth:—A farm or farms let by article, &c., to Geo. Jackson, John Lupton, and Chr. Lupton for £86.; a farm let to Rich. Coates, farmer, Rich. Simpson, and Tho. Snowden for the yearly rack-rent of £26.; a farm called Hustons let to John Hammond for the yearly rack-rent of £66.; also one close let to the said John Hammond for £4.; a pasture-close called Hagill let to Geo. Webster, farmer, for £2. 10.; a farm called Helgill Farm let to John Welbank and Sam. Stockdale at £30.: Out of which mannour, &c., in Whitwell *alias* Nether Whitwell-in-the-Whinns, in the said parish of Catterick, there is payable yearly a fee-farm rent of 16s. 8d. to Will. Bucknall, Esq.; also a fee-farm rent of 2s. 2d. to the heirs of the said late Will. Paul, Esq.; and likewise a fee-farm rent of 10s. to John Wastell, Esq.; and out of the said lands, &c., in the parish of Danby-upon-the-Whiske a fee-farm rent of 6s. 8d. to Will. Bucknall, Esq.

The Mannour or Lordship of Raskelfe in the township or chapelry of Raskelfe, with the commons, moores, &c., as followeth:—A farm let to Will. White, carpenter, at £25. 0. 6.; a farm let to Chr. Johnson at £12. 2. 6.; a farm let to Rob. Scarr, butcher, at £3. 12.; a farm let to John Hodgson, butcher, at £6. 14.; a farm let to Geo. Harrison, tayler, and Rob. Scarr, butcher, at £9. 13.; a farm called the Low Parke Farm let to Rich. Hildred at £16. 13.; a farm called the Low Park Farm let to Will. Martyn at £25.; a farm called Mosen

Car Farm let to John Eccles and Chr. Roxby at £2. 15.; a farm called Spring and Kile Farm let to Rich. Wells at £42.; a farm let to John Burnett, butcher, and Marm. Bateman, sen^r., at £42. 2.; a farm let to Guy Bell, butcher, at £16. 7. 6.; a farm let to Elizth. Woodward, widow, and Rob. Hodgson, weaver, at £29.; a farm let to Martha Hodgson, widow, at £13. 14.; a farm let to Sarah Temple, widow, at £5. 19. 4.; a farm let to John Jackson, farmer, and John Waid at £63. 16.; a farm or farms let to Bryan Taylor, Luce Buck, and Sarah Temple at £5. 15.; a farm let to Anne Harrison, widow, at £23. 5.; a farm let to John Barnby, jun^r., at £10. 5.; a farm let to Henry Bell, butcher, at £24. 12.; a farm let to John Barnby, sen^r., at £3. 16.; a farm let to Chr. Lackenby at £2. 2.; a farm let to Tho. Woodward, butcher, at £8.; a farm let to Steven Kitchingman at £13. 3. 4.; a farm let to Mr. Rob. Litton, Clerk, and Tho. Farmery, carpenter, at £7.; a farm let to Anne Morrell, widow, at £28. 6. 6.; a little house and garth let to John Meek, tenant at will, at 5s.; a farm let to John Stead at £2. 15. 6.; a little farm let to Will. Hodgson, weaver, at £3. 13. 2.; a cottage house, a lungate* and garth let to Alice Farmery, widow, at 12s.; a little house and garth let to Rob. Smith, cooper, at 7s.; a little farm, house, garth, cowhouse, and closes let to Chr. Spence at £4. 18.; a farm with dwelling-house, barne, stable, two lundgates,* with meadow-lande appertaining, &c., let to Rob. Hodgson, weaver, at £2. 14.; a dwelling-house, barn, stable, garth, and corn-milne let to Tho. Blades, milner, at £12.; a dwelling-house, &c., with garden, two garths, and one lungate, let to John Brest, at 15s.; a farm let to Tho. Kirke at £20. 4.; a little

* This is a new word, as far as my own experience or observation extends. But the meaning is not, I think, altogether obscure. I take it to be synonymous with the word 'beast-gate,' 'cattle-gate,' or 'ox-gate,' all of which are familiar to me as widely current two centuries since in this part of the N. R., and other places within a distance of twenty miles. If I confine myself to what I have met with in connection with this parish alone, what I have found prevailing in the year 1656, was as follows:—A very considerable proportion of the farms or tenements into which the township was subdivided had rights of pasturage in certain wild, rough feeding-grounds, the majority of them designated by the term 'laund' or 'lawn,' during certain periods of the year; and conjoined with the said rights were the further rights of mowing such and such a portion of the common meadow, and of taking the hedging-materials necessary for maintaining their fences out of the brushwood, &c., with which the said launds were in part covered. These rights of pasturage were called so many beast-gates, cow-gates, ox-gates, &c., according to circumstances, and some hundred or hundred and twenty of these rights existed in only one of these woody pastures, called Low Wood, near Lealholm Bridge. The alternative description of the beast gate here was "pastureing for one beast," and as it was in all the cases I have specially referred to in a quasi-wood or grove, and *lund* has that signification, the explanation of the word in the text almost certainly is a gate for some animal, ox or cow, in a lund or grove; ? if not a corruption of *laundgate*.

dwelling-house and garth let to Rob. Whitwell and Tho. Woodward, butcher, at 10s.; a farm let to Tho. Wrightson, butcher, and John Wrightson at £11. 7.; a farm let to Will. Blackburn and Barbara Wrightson, widow, at £12.; a farm let to Ralph Watson and Leon. Rocliffe at £10. 17. 6.; a dwelling-house, &c., let to Math. Atkinson and Elizth. Bardon at 10s.; a dwelling-house, &c., let to Marg^t. Bell, widow, and John Nowlson at £2. 1.; a dwelling-house, &c., let to Tho. Farmery, carpenter, at 10s.; a farm let to Will. Hudson, butcher, at £7. 15.; a dwelling-house, &c., let to John Richardson at £3.; a dwelling-house, &c., let to Will. Watson, tayler, at £3. 5.; a dwelling-house, &c., let to Geo. Calvert at 16s. 8d.; a dwelling-house, &c., let to John Dunning, taylor, and Chr. Spence at £1. 14. 4.; a dwelling-house, &c., let to Geo. and Ralph Hick at £3. 18.; a little house, &c., let to Thomasyn Ellis, widow, at 9s.; a farm let to Mr. John Jackson at £10.; a little dwelling-house, &c., let to Marg^t. Hodgson at will for 10s.; a farm let to Rob. Render, tayler, and Jas. Cooper at £5. 18. 10.; a little tenement let to Ann Burrow and Elizth. Bardon, widows, at 5s.; a small farm let to Math. Dearelove at £4. 12.; a farm or farms let to Will. Cass and John Holdslock at £35. 4.; a farm let to Anth. Driffield, butcher, at £30. 17. 10.; a little dwelling-house, &c., let to Will. Nowlson, tenant at will, at 10s.; a dwelling-house, bakehouse, barn, &c., let to Fr. Scawby, butcher, at £2. 2. 6.; a farm of certain parcels of meadow-pasture, &c., let to John Scawby, weaver, at will, at £3. 10.; a farm let to Barbara Wrightson, widow, at £13. 12. 8.; a tenement, &c., let to Rob. Kilbanke, tenant at will, at £1.; three little houses, four garths, &c., let to Mich. Mann, weaver, at will, at £4. 7. 2.; a farm let to Tho. Pickard and Marm. Batemanson at £4. 1. 2.; a dwelling-house, &c., let to Mr. Jas. Cooper, at will, at £3. 14.; a house, &c., let to Will. Robinson, tayler, at will, at 5s.; several inclosed grounds or feilds let to Lucy Kirke, widow, at will, at £10.; two little closes of meadow ground, scituate in Tholtrop in the parish of Alne, let to Jeoffrey Linton, tenant at will, at £2. 16.; a farm in Tholtrop let to Tho. Forster, blacksmith, Math. Knowles and Geo. Smith at £6. 14.; a farm let to Will. Kilverton at £12. 0. 8.; a farm let to Tho. Lee at £8.; all the before-mentioned tenants in the said manour of Raskelfe have right of common of pasture; a composition or rent for tithes of Boscor Lands payable yearly by Henry Frankland, Esq., or his undertenants, being 13s. 4d.; a rent for a catlerake* over Raskelfe Common of 10s. payable yearly by the tenants of Tholtrop; a rent of £1. 10. for tithes payable, &c., by Mr. John Beane, Clerke, and Mr. Jas. Cooper for

* Cattle-stray, or right of pasturage for a head of stock. See Vol. I., p. 77, n.

lands in the said townships ; also a rent of 1*s.* 6*d.* for tithes payable &c., by Steph. Kitchingman for a close he holds of Mr. Toulson ; Jas. Blythe holds a house, &c., at will, of the Lord ; Widow Bardon holds a little house, &c., and right of common, at will, of the Lord ; Elizth. Patricke, widow, Will. Priestman and Jane Davy, spinster, hold little houses, &c. ; these tenants are poor and allowed their habitations gratis without any rent ; the several persons hereafter named are poor cottage[r]s whose houses are built upon the common and wastes of the said manour, called Butt Green, and pay no rent, viz.—John Dally a cottage, Mary Dunning, Marm. Batemanson, Rob. Wynn, Will. Robinson, Leon. Rocliffe and Rich. Render, each a cottage ; Out of which said farms, &c., in Raskelfe there is issuing to Sir Tho. Frankland and others the yearly rent of £80. for the Archdeacon's house, outhousing, and all tyths of the said manour, &c. ; also out of the said manour a fee-farm rent of 13*s.* 4*d.* to Will. Bucknall, Esq.

The Mannour or Lordship of Great Broughton, parish of Kirby, with the commons, &c., as followeth :—A farm let to John Rawe at £6*l.* with right of common ; a farm let to Isbell Sowley, widow, at £9., with right of common, &c. : Out of which said lands, &c., there is issuing a modus in lieu of tyth hay, the annual sum of 2*s.* ; and also out of the said several manours, &c., there is issuing to the Most Noble Anne, Duchesse, and wife of His Grace the Duke of Richmond and Lenox, during her natural life, a yearly rent-charge of £1,000. : Of all which said several manours, &c., I, the said Tho. Stonor, am seized of an estate for my life as tenant in common of and in an undevided fourth part or share (the same into four equal parts to be divided) of the same manour, &c., and profits thereof, after such deductions and outpayments shall be made as are before mentioned and expressed. The name of the said Tho. Stonor was hereunto set by Fr. Goulton, the Attorney lawfully authorised, and the Warrant of Attorney for that purpose was duly proved in open Sessions, &c. [Signed] Roger Talbot, Will. Reveley.

Katherine Waterton of the City of Yorke, widdow, &c. Two closes called Dowber Closes with their rights, &c., in the parish of Thirske, let by Tho. Fairfax, gent^a., deceased, to John Crosby, deceased, and now in the possession of Tho. and Chr. Peart, by lease for eleven years under the yearly reserved rent of £10. 15. ; of one full moiety of the said closes, &c., I am seized thereof to me and my heirs in fee-simple. The name of the said Katherine Waterton was hereunto subscribed by Will. Pinkney, Attorney, before us, D. Lascelles, Will. Reveley.

Anne Cockson of Old Elvett, parish of St. Oswald's, County of Durham, &c. Imprimis a freehold messuage or farmhold called

Binker House, Rumbaldchurch parish, let to John Rayne for one year ending at Mayday next, at £8., payable at Martinmas and Mayday in equal portions: item, two cottage houses, one orchard and garth in Knayton, Leeke parish, let to Chr. Wind at 5*s.*: Out of which rent the Lord's rent and all taxes, ass^{ts}., and repairs are payd; in which premisses I have an estate or interest for life, a rent-charge of £5. *per annum*, clear, charged upon Binker House Farm to Chas. Cockson for his life clear of taxes. The name of the said Anne Cockson was subscribed by Will. Pinkney, Attorney. [Signed] W^m. Reveley, D. Lascelles.

Phillip Saltmarsh of the City of York, Esq., tho' I do not take myself to be within the description of a late Act of Parliament, yet to avoyd the penalty thereof do desire you to register my name and estate, &c., viz.—in Nuby-upon-Wiske, parish of Kirby-upon-Wiske, a capital mess^{ge}., &c., let on lease for eleven years to Will. Dunn at £48.

In Cowburne *alias* Colburne, Cattericke parish, a mess^{ge}., &c., let by me by lease for nine years to Peter Dixon, since deceased, at £67., and now in the possession of his widow; a mess^{ge}., &c., let by Chr. Hutton, Esq., from year to year to Chr. Sevey at £14.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Geo. Fearby at £9. 10.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Will. Bagby at £10. 2. 4.; a mess^{ge}. let to John Rymer at £26.; a mess^{ge}. let to Henry Layton at £7. 10.; a mess^{ge}. let to Sarah Leng at £7. 7.; a mess^{ge}. let to John Carter at £10. 10.; a cottage let to John Vitty at 5*s.* 4*d.*; a cottage let to Tho. Walker at 7*s.*; a cottage let to Anne Fawcett at 6*s.* 8*d.*; a cottage, with the farm thereto belonging, let to Will. Carter at £1. 5.; a cottage let to Isabell Moor at 4*d.*; a cottage let to Jane Adcock at 4*d.*; a cottage let to Chr. Langram at 4*d.*

In Thornbrough *alias* Thornburgh, South Kilvington parish, an undivided moiety of a mess^{ge}. with the farm, &c., let to Rob. Peacock at £23.; a moiety of a mess^{ge}., &c., let to John Raper at £17.; a moiety of a mess^{ge}. let to Rob. Ward at £15. 15.; a moiety of a mess^{ge}. let to Geo. Langdale at £10. 15.; a moiety of a mess^{ge}. let to Mich. Allanson at £9. 5.; a moiety of a mess^{ge}. let to John Dale at £9. 10.; a moiety of a mess^{ge}. let to Chr. Dale at £5.; a moiety of a mess^{ge}. let to Tho. Sampson at £3. 17.; a moiety of a mess^{ge}. let to John Bransby at £2. 5.; a moiety of a cottage with the farm, &c., let to Dorothy Dale at £1. 15.; a moiety of a tenement with the farm let to . . . Jackson at 18*s.* . . . *d.*; a moiety of a cottage, &c., let to John Roucklas at £1. 7. 6.; a moiety of a cottage, &c., let to Geo. Webster at 5*s.*; a moiety of a cottage let to Tho. Robson at 5*s.*; a moiety of a cottage let to Rich. Cooper at 1*s.* 8*d.*, all let by the said Chr. Hutton, Esq.: In all which lands, &c., I, the said Phillip Salt-

marsh, February 28, 1713, had a freehold and was seized for my natural life only with the remainder after several others to me and my heirs; all which said lands and tenements in Newby Wiske and Thornbrough are and then were subject to and chargeable with an annuity or rent-charge of £30. a year to Peter Saltmarsh, gentⁿ., for and during his natural life; an annuity of £20. to Gerrard Saltmarsh, gentⁿ., and an annuity of £20. to Edw. Saltmarsh, gentⁿ., and in case the said Peter, Gerrard, and Edw. Saltmarsh, or any of them, happen to dye, then the said annuity of him or them so dyeing to go to the survivor:—And all which lands, &c., in Cowburne are subject to an annuity of £100. to Ann my wife (who is a Protestant) for her seperate maintenance so long as I and my said wife shall live apart, and out of the said lands, &c., in Newby Wiske there is yearly issuing a free-rent of 3*s. per annum* to ; And all which lands, &c., in Newby Wiske, Cowburne and Thornbrough have likewise, since the said last day of February, 1713, to wit by Lease and Release bearing date respectively the 1st and 2nd of March, 1713, been by the said Phillip Saltmarsh for the consideration of £200. conveyed and assured to the said Chr. Hutton and his heirs and assignes for and during the term of my natural life, subject and chargeable for the term of seven years from March 4, 1713 (in case I so long live), with annual payment of £100. to the said Mrs. Anne Saltmarsh, my wife, and with the several annuities above mentioned, and after payment of the said several annuities, then all the rest and residue of the yearly rents and profits of the said premisses to be received, &c., to the sole proper use and behoofe of the said Chr. Hutton, his heirs, and after the expiration of the said term of seven years then all the said lands at the request, cost, and charges of me, the said Phillip Saltmarsh, are to be reconveyed by the said Chr. Hutton, or his heirs to me, or to such other person, or persons, as I shall direct, by vertue of which said Indentures of Lease and Release the said Chr. Hutton is in actual possession of the mannours, &c., and is in receipt of the rents and profits thereof for his own proper use and benefit, subject to the charges above mentioned. The name of Phillip Saltmarsh was subscribed by Chas. Hill. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Will. Leach of Whenby, yeomⁿ., in East Layton, in St. John's parish, as follows:—Several closes, &c., let from year to year to Jos. Barker at £6.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let, &c., to John Allen, and now in the occupation of John Wilson, his under-tenant, at £6.

In Melsonby a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Tho. Browne at £20., of which said mess^{ge}., &c., I am seized of an estate in fee-simple, and am in receipt of the profits thereof, subject to the payment of 20*s.* current money, to be paid and distributed yearly for ever unto the poor of

East Layton and Cockin the day before the Feast of the Nativity, and if it happen at any time hereafter that the said townships have no poor in them then the said township that shall happen to have need shall have the said 20s., which said sum is charged upon a certain close called the West-feild in East Layton, the said 20s. to be clear from taxes, &c. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Rich. Smith of Egtonbridge, gentⁿ., &c, all that capital mess^{ge}. called Bridgeholme Green House, and all those closes called the Calf-close, Fog-feild, Thistle-feild, Broad-feild, the Holme, and the Loanding, by estimation 17 acres, in my own possession; also a close called Haverfeild, let to Elianor Harland at £3. 10., the said lands, &c., being charged with the annual payment of £6. to Will. Smith of Egtonbridge and £6. to Everard Smith for their lives. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Henry Dinmore of Sowerby, gentⁿ., &c., a mess^{ge}., &c., granted to me during the remainder of a term of two thousand years by an Indenture of Lease from Sir Tho. Lascelles and others, September 22, 1577: that is to say a mess^{ge}., &c., wherein I now dwell, a close of meadow ground called Sandholme, about five acres, four pasture gates in the oxe pasture and four oxegangs of arable land in the townfeild of Sowerby, all in my own possession, of the value of £22. a year or thereabouts; also two other closes called Sandholme, and a close called Street-feild let to Simon Pearson at £12. 15., and a close called Brickgarth or Gownslow-close let to Simon Arnett at 25s.; and I do pay out of the said premisses unto Roger Meynill, Esq., yearly £3. 16. 4. and five rent henns, and also I am indebted unto Fr. Almond of Thirske £50. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

The Hon^{ble}. Marm. Langdale of Painesley in the county of Stafford, Esq., &c., in Gatenby, in Burniston parish, a mess^{ge}., &c., let from year to year to John Bowes at £119. 4.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Rich. Metcalfe at £27. 14.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to John Barough at £11. 10.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Chr. Wilson at £25.: a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Geo. Ward at £109. 15.; to all which mess^{ges}., farms, &c., I am intituled during my natural life: but I, some time since, by two several Indentures of Lease for the consideration of £800. to me actually and really paid by Geo. Ward of Gatenby, gentⁿ., did demise, grant, &c., all the said premisses to the said Geo. Ward for six years, by virtue of which Indenture he is in the possession of the rents, &c., of the said mess^{ges}., &c., for the residue of the said term until the said principal sum and all interest to accrue for the same be satisfied and paid, and after satisfaction shall be made to the said Geo. Ward for the said £800., with the interest thereof, he shall be possessed of all the said premisses during so much of the said term of six years as shall then remain, and

shall dispose of the rents, &c., thereof, and of the money remaining in his hands above what will pay the said £800. and interest, unto and for the benefit of such person or persons, or such uses, intents, and purposes as I, by any deed in writing under my hand, &c., testified by two or more credible witnesses, shall direct, and for want of such direction then and not otherwise unto me; and the said Geo. Ward shall and may deduct to himself out of the surplus of the rents, &c., of the thereby demised premisses all such charges and expences as he shall or may sustain in the execution and management of the trust in the said Indenture mentioned, and the said mess^{ges}, &c., are also subject to the several payments following—6s. 11d. to the heirs of Will. Paul, Esq., and £1. 10. to Will., Henry, and Chas. Egerton, Esquires. Subscribed by Geo. Ward, Attorney. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

John Hardcastle of Easingwould, yeom^r., &c., in the parish of Easingwould a mess^{ge} or tenement, one-third part of a barn, and one little yard with the appurtenances, of the yearly rent of 20s. by the Book of Raites, in fee-simple. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Phillip Sturdy of Kilburn, yeom^r., &c., in the parish of Easingwould a mess^{ge}, &c., let to Geo. White at £3. 10., of which I am seized to the use of my wife for life, to me for my natural life, and then to the use of my son Benjamine Sturdy in fee-simple. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Rich. Kendall of Helmsley, barber, in Wetherholme, in the township of Skewsby in the parish of Dalby, a mess^{ge}, &c., let to Will. Skeifeild at £24. 16., of which said mess^{ge}, &c., I am seized to me and the heirs of my body, (save and except that one close called the Crookclose I am seized thereof of an equitable trust estate to me and my heirs for ever) which said close is charged with an annuity of £3. to Eleanor Atkinson, wife of Rich. Atkinson, for the term of her natural life, and after her decease to the payment of £20. to Will. Kendall her son, and £6. to Elizth. Hitchcock, wife of Rich. Hitchcock, her daughter. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W. Reveley.

John Poole of Spinkhill in the county of Derby, Esq., and Ursula Pool [*sic*] his wife, &c., Imprimis the said John Poole saith that he is seized of divers lands, &c., in the parishes of Pickhall, Sinderby, Bramper, Anderby *alias* Aynderby Steeple, North Kilvington, and in Crakebank in the parish of Thornton-in-the-Street, and in Cold Kirby, Upper Ness, and Lower Ness, in right of the said Ursula his wife, who before her intermarriage with him was seized of the same for the term of her natural life for her jointure made to her upon her marriage with Tho. Meynell, Esq., deceased, her late husband;) and the said John Poole saith that he let a farm in Cold Kirby to Tho. Metcalfe at the yearly

rent of £10., and a farm called Croke-bank in the parish of Thornton-in-the-Street unto Will. Ridsdale at £62. 5.; and the said John Poole and the said Ursula say that they did let a farm called Bramper in the parish of Anderby Steeple, with the rights, &c., thereof to Sampson Rymer at £102., which rent is for the sole and seperate use of the said Ursula, and the said John Poole saith that he did let from year to year the several farms following—to Geo. Newstead a farm at £33., and a henne if demanded; to Hugh Prest a farm at £18. 8. 9., and a henne if demanded; to Barth. Bulmer a farm at £35., &c., at Lower Ness in the parish of Pickhill, to Tho. Hedley a farm at £35., &c.; at Upper Ness in the said parish, to Widow Hutton a farm at £47. 3. 4., &c.; to John Raper a farm at £1. 6. 8., &c.; to John Daggett a farm at £2., &c.; to Will. Morley a farm at 18s., &c.; to John Soler a farm at 8s. 8d., &c.; to Will. Burnett a farm at 12s., &c.; to Tho. Ryther a farm at £9. 3., &c.; to Widow Cook a farm at £2. 9., &c.; to Mr. Rich. Daggett a farm at 9s., &c.; to Margt. Sober a cottage, payng yearly a goose for the same; to Tho. Walker a farm at £35., &c., which lyes at Upper Ness in the said parish, subject to several out-payments in fee-farm rents amounting in the whole to 10s. and upwards. The names of John and Ursula Poole were subscribed by Chr. Pearson, their Attorney. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Chr. Stead of Borrowby, butcher, &c.:—A dwelling-house, a barn and a stable, with an orchard and garth on the barn-side thereof adjoining; also one close called Colmon Close, all in the township of Borrowby, in Leake parish,—whereof I am seized in right of my now wife for the term of her natural life by copy of Court Roll according to the custom of the Mannor of Northallerton, all which premisses are in my own possession. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Tho. Danby of Borrowby, butcher:—A dwelling-house, a barn, a stable, a shop, an orchard on the back of the said house, a little close called the Ings, all in the township of Borrowby, parish of Leake, whereof I am seized in the right of my now wife, &c. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Andrew Monday of Helmsley:—A farm or close called the Colman Close, into three closes divided, in the township of Borrowby, parish of Leake, let to Tho. Foster at the yearly rent of £3. 8. 6., subject nevertheless to the payment of £50. debt and the yearly rent of to the Chief Lord of the fee. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Rich. Briggs of Upsal Castle, jun^r, yeomⁿ.:—In the parish of Thirkleby-upon-Wiske a mess^{ge}e., &c., a close called Lowclose, adjoining on the River Swale, a close of meadow land called Intack adjoining to the said Lowclose, and all those three closes, containing about 8 acres, called Long Barrs and Swab Barrs, let to Fr. Flintoft at £8. 10.: Of

all which said mess^{ges}., closes, &c., he saith that he is seized in right of Anne his now wife, and that he pays out of the same the yearly rent of 3*d.* to the Chief Lord. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Elizth. Smith, widow of Tho. Smith, late of Egtonbridge, gentⁿ. :—A farm in the parish of Egton let to Geo. Hill at £21. 8.; a farm let to Geo. Pearson at £3. 5. 6., and lastly a farm called Lelum *alias* Lelam *alias* Upper Hall let to my son Rich. Smith at £21. 6. 6.: and I do further say that I am indebted to Will. Frankland of the said parish of Egton £20. upon bond by me executed to him for the same. The name of Elizth. Smith was subscribed by Will. Pinkney, Attorney. [Signed] W^m. Reveley, D. Lascelles.

Chr. Peart of Stokesley :—A mess^{ge}. or dwelling-house with a mault-kiln and chambering thereunto belonging, a stable, a barn, a hemble* or cowhouse, a garden, garden-house, and an orchard and garth, all on the backside of the said mess^{ge}., and in my own possession not tennanted : Item, a shop, backhouset and chambers with a stable, all adjoining upon the said mess^{ge}. and garth, let to Chr. Watkins at £4.; Item, a backhouset and chamber adjoining upon the last-mentioned backhouse, let to Will. Robinson at 30*s.*: Item a little close called the Acres on the north side of the said mess^{ge}., &c., with a little cowhouse therein, let to Chr. Knightson and Will. Robinson at £3. 2. 6.; of all which mess^{ges}., &c., I am seized of an estate in inheritance in fee-simple, chargeable with a mortgage for £200. by me heretofore made.

In the township of Borrowby, parish of Leake, a mess^{ge}. with a toft or croft thereto belonging, and also a close called Churchfeild, reputed half an oxgang, let to Mr. Rob. Brass at £12: Item, a close into two closes divided, called the Tofts, and a close also divided into two, called the Gesketts, let to Tho. Harland at £10., the said lands being charged with a mortgage of £300.; a moiety of a mess^{ge}., toft and croft let to Anth. Watson for 45*s.*: whereof I am seized in estate of inheritance in fee-simple, charged with a rent to the Chief Lord of

* Halliwell gives "HEMBLE. A hovel; a stable; a shed. *North.*" I have frequently met with the word within this district, although not frequently near this part of it, and always in the sense of a shed. Our equivalent Cleveland word is *Helm*, which I have defined as follows :—"a shed in the fields for the shelter of cattle when turned out; a hovel or hut."

† The ordinary pronunciation of *bake-house*. The sound is precisely that of Bacchus, and in the earlier pages of the Danby Registers I find the personal name Backhouse—by no means an unusual or unhonoured name in various parts about York and northwards—more than once given in the said form; and as the locally not uncommon name Venis occurs upon the same pages in the form Venus, the collocation has a rather quaint appearance.

the fee of 4*s.* 3*½d.* out of the copyhold lands, and 6*d.* a year out of the freehold estate. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Edm. Danby of Borrowby, butcher :—One-half of a dwelling-house, a barn, a stable, an orchard, and half another orchard with a little garth, all on the backside of the said half part of the said half of the said dwelling-house, whereof I am seized in my estate of inheritance in fee ; as also of four gads* in the Bishop Ings in fee as above, and likewise one-third part of another dwelling-house with a shop and little backhouse, and with two closes called the High feilds, a Banckclose and a Carr-close, with a little piece of ground called Allerton Gate Crooke ; of all which I am seized in right of my now wife by copy of Court Roll, &c. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Mary Galloway, of the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Feilds, in the county of Middlesex, spinster, &c. :—The Mannor of Danby Wiske with the Courts, profits of Courts, rights, &c., in my own possession, the adowson or right of patronage of the church of Danby Wiske, and of the church of Yafferton, with the respective appurtenances, in my own possession, and the several mess^{ge}s., cottages, lands, &c., in the said Mannor, viz.—a mess^{ge}e., &c., called Danby Hall let to Mr. Roger Wilson at £6*l.* 15.; a mess^{ge}e., &c., let to Will. Straingways and Isabell Gamble at £3*l.* 10.; a mess^{ge}e., &c., let to Tho. Sheircroft at £2*l.* 15.; a mess^{ge}e., &c., let to Mich. Martine at £2*l.*; a mess^{ge}e., &c., let to Leon. Webster at £2*l.*; a mess^{ge}e., &c. let to Tho. Wilkinson at £2*l.*; a mess^{ge}e., &c., let to John Martin at £2*l.*; a cottage and garth, &c., let to Anne Leckenby at 4*d.*; three closes, commonly called Low Bothoms, New Land, and Spring Close, let to the said Anne Leckenby at £5.; a cottage, &c., let to John Horne at 20*s.* 3*d.*; a garth called Stelling Garth, Farr Close, and Old Hall Garth, let to the said John Horne at £4. 10.; a mess^{ge}e. and garth, Far Whins, and Mary Garth, let to Leon. Taylor at £4. 4.; a mess^{ge}e., garth, and butts let to Tho. Savile at £3. 5.; a mess^{ge}e., garth, and Farr Close, &c., let to Will. Tod at 40*s.*; a mess^{ge}e. and garth, &c., let to Anne Kirkby at 38*s.*; a cottage and half a garth, &c., let to Tho. Straingways at 10*s.*; a cottage and half a garth, &c., let to Isabell Adamson at 10*s.*; a cottage let to Chr. Pearson at 7*s.* 6*d.*; a cottage let to Will. Bleakhorse at 4*s.*; three cottages let respectively to Widow Rialton. Dorothy Almond, and Mark Holmes at 4*d.* each; and a smithy shop lately erected on the waist let to Will. Beckwith at 6*d.* : Of all which said mannor, advowson, &c., I have an equitable estate or trust for the residue of a term granted by Edw. Somersett, Esq., March 30, 1700,

* This word is given by Halliwell with the sense of "a measuring rod of ten feet." I believe it stands here as the *pericata* of the old charters and like writings, and the rod, pole, or perch of more modern times.

for one thousand years, for securing the payment of £2,000 with interest, which £2,000 are due to me. Signed by John Smith, Attorney. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Stephen Tempest of Broughton, Esq., &c.:—The Mannor of Hunton with the Courts, &c., in the parishes of Patrick Brompton and Hornby, in my own possession, several free-rents payable to me as Lord of the said Mannor in my own possession, in all 7s. 1d.; all that the yearly due rent or duty of 12 bushells and three pecks of oats payable out of certain lands at Allerthorne belonging to the Right Hon^{ble}. Earl of Holdernes, and one bushell of oats payable out of other lands in Allerthorne; and a mess^{ge}. called Hunton Hall, with the appurtenances and several closes therewith held, as also a wood called Grosse or Wildwood let to Rob. Dobbin from year to year or at will at £46. 10., the said wood lying in the parish of Finghall; a mess^{ge}. called Grainge or High Hall, a corne-milne and the scrog-gates and several closes let to John Walker from year to year, &c., at £80. 6. 8.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Rob. Awton at £33. 11.; an old and decayed mess^{ge}., &c., let to John Walker and Andrew Husband as tenants by contract for three years, at the yearly rent of £22. 10.; several closes let to Math. Husband, as tenant by contract for three years, at the yearly rent of £6.; a close let to John Awton as tenant at will or from year to year at £8.; a mess^{ge}. and garth, &c., let to Jas. Ducket, tenant at will, at £2.; a garth let to Marm. Theakston, tenant at will, at 12s.; a cottage and little garth in the possession of Cuthb. Banks, holding by no tenure or rent save by my good will and charity to him, being a poor man; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Geo. Gregg, tenant at will, at 13s. 4d.: Of which mannor, &c., I have an estate under mortgage for £2,700, principal money, made by Will. Riddall, Esq., to Jas. Stanford, Esq., under a decree obtained for about £1,000 by Mr. Bates against the premisses, to which mortgage I am intituled as surviving executor to the said Jas. Stanford, and to the said decree by mesne assignments and conveyances in law, and by consequence I have a right to hold and enjoy all and every the same premisses till all sums of money for principal, interest and costs thereupon due upon acc^t. to be made shall be paid. Signed by Tho. Wycliff, Attorney. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

John Paston of Horton in the county of Gloucester, Esq., in right of my wife Anne, in the parish of Danby Wiske a mess^{ge}. called Danby Hall with several closes let to Roger Wilson, gentⁿ., as tenant at will, at £61. 15.; a mess^{ge}. &c., let to Will. Straingeways and Isabell Gambell at £32. 10.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Leon. Webster at £25.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Tho. Shearcroft at £26. 15.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Mich. Martin at £26.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Tho. Wilkinson at £21.;

a mess^{ge}., &c., let to John Martin at £20.; a cottage with two or three inclosures let to Anne Leckenby at £5. 0. 4.; a cottage with two or three inclosures let to John Horne at £5. 10. 3.; a mess^{ge}. with some inclosures let to Leon. Taylor at £4. 4.; a mess^{ge}. and close let to Tho. Savile at £3. 5.; a mess^{ge}. and garth let to Will. Todd at £2.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Anne Kirkby at £1. 18.; a cottage and garth let to Tho. Strangways at 10s.; a cottage, &c., let to Isabell Adamson at 10s.; a cottage, &c., let to Chr. Pearson at 7s. 6d.; a cottage, &c., let to Will. Blenkhorn at 4s.; three other cottages let to Widow Ryalton, Dorothy Almond, and Mark Holmes at 4d. each; a smithy cottage lately erected on the waist let to Will. Beckwith at 6d.: which mannor, &c., are, as I have been informed and believe, in the legal possession of Mrs. Mary Galloway under a mortgage made by Edw. Somersett, Esq., my said wife's late husband, to trustees for the said Mrs. Galloway or to her father for security of £2,000. principal with interest, which said Mary Galloway having now for several years past the receipt of the said rents, &c., is, as I conceive, accountable to my said wife, or to myself in her right, for the residue thereof, after deduction of the interest payable for the said principal debt, and which mannor, &c., are, as I have been informed, by a decree lately made in the High Court of Chancery, appointed to be sold for payment of the said mortgage debt and other purposes, until which sale shall be made I conceive I, in the right of my said wife, am intituled to such acc^t. as aforesaid. Signed by John Smyth, Attorney. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Marg^t. Rickaby of Richmond, widdow:—A mess^{ge}., &c., let to Solomon Blaydes at £3. 10.; a mess^{ge}., &c., in my own possession, of the yearly value of £2. 10., which mess^{ges}. are situate in the burrough and parish of Richmond, one of them being mortgaged for securing the sum of £30. with interest. Signed by Tho. Wycliff, Attorney. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

John Pearson of Langthorne, yeomⁿ., &c.:—A mess^{ge}., &c., in my own possession in Langthorne in the parish of Beedall, value £7. yearly, and I do hereby own myself to be indebted upon bond to Marm. Fossick in the principal sum of £17. Signed by Tho. Wycliff, Attorney. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Geo. Robinson of Beedall, yeomⁿ.:—In the parish of Beedall part of one mess^{ge}., &c., in my own possession value £9. yearly, the other part of the said mess^{ge}., &c., let to Mrs. Anne Marshall at £4.; two closes let to John Plummer at £3. 5.: of which mess^{ge}., &c., I have an estate or interest by Lease granted me by Sir Miles Stapylton in 1704, for 21 years, paying to the said Sir Miles Stapylton the yearly rent of £5.

In Aiskew in the parish of Beedal two closes in my own possession, value yearly £2. 10.: of which I have an estate or interest for the residue of a long term of years, paying 1s. fee rent to the Lord of the Fee. Signed by Tho. Wycliff, Attorney. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Anne Lodge of Brumpton-upon-Swale, widdow:—In Brumpton-upon-Swaile, in the parish of Easeby, a mess^{ge}. and garth, &c., let to Will. Hutchinson at £9. 4.; a mess^{ge}., &c., let to John Lightfoot at 30s.; three closes let to Will. Tayler at £6. 14.: out of one of the said closes called The Holme there is a yearly payment made to the poor of Richmond of £1. 4., being interest money for £20. secured by mortgage on the same; a close let to Tho. Arrowsmith at £3.; several closes let to Miles Lodge at £3. 8.; five roods of arable land in the town-feilds of Brumpton in my own possession, value 4s. yearly: of which mess^{ges}., &c., I have an estate of inheritance in fee-simple.

In the town and parish of Beedal, a mess^{ge}., &c., let to Tho. Crompton at £3. 4.; several closes let to Tho. Place at £14.; a close let to Nich. Hudson at £1. 10.; a close let to Mary Taylor at £2.: of which mess^{ge}., &c., I have an estate by Lease granted by Sir Miles Stapylton in 1706, for 21 years, for the yearly rent of £7. Signed by Tho. Wycliff, Attorney. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Miles Lodge of Brumpton-upon-Swale, yeomⁿ.:—In Brumpton in Easby parish a mess^{ge}. and 8 acres of meadow ground, 3½ acres in the town-feilds, in my own possession, value yearly £9. 10.; two meadow closes let to Anne Lodge at £4. 10.; two closes let to Will. Hutchinson at £4.: of which I have an estate in fee-simple subject to the payment of £100., as appears by the deed or conveyance made of the said premisses to me. Signed by Tho. Wycliff, Attorney.

Joseph Bendlowes of Aiskew, yeomⁿ.:—A mess^{ge}. with the barns, &c., and several closes, about 56 acres, in my own possession, value yearly £40.: of which I have an estate by Lease granted for the term of 3,000 years, under the yearly reserved rent of 10s., payable to the Chief Lord thereof: which said lands, &c., were mortgaged some time ago by me to Mr. Clarke, haberdasher, of the City of Yorke, for the securing to him the payment of £650. with interest. [Signed] D. Lascelles, W^m. Reveley.

Ralph Robinson of Manfeild, yeomⁿ.:—That close, commonly known by the name of Robinson's Moor, let to Chr. Crawforth for three years, and so from three to seven years by a verball agreement, at the yearly rent of £7. 15., in the township of Aldbrough, parish of St. John's, of which I have an equitable estate or trust in fee-simple. Signed by Tho. Wycliff, Attorney. Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

Marg^t. Binks of Richmond, spinster:—A mess^{ge}., &c., let to Rich.

Robinson at £3.; a close let to Will. Davile, gentⁿ., at £2. 10.; a little close and two acres in the Low East Feild of Richmond in my own possession, value yearly £3. 10., of which I have an estate in fee-simple; all those four acres of meadow in the West Feild of Richmond, in my own possession, granted me by Lease from the burrough or corporation of Richmond for 21 years at the yearly rent of £1. 3. 4.

In the parish of Aisgarth two mess^{ges}., &c., and several closes let to the Rev. Mr. Simon Rudd at £15.: of which said mess^{ges}., &c., I have an estate in fee, fixed in me for securing the payment of £222. with interest, on payment whereof the heirs of Edw. Winnington, late of Preston-under-Scarr, has title to the said lands, &c.: the said lands are charged with the yearly payment of several free or other rents to divers persons amounting to 18s. 7d. Signed by Tho. Wycliff, Attorney.

Rob. Smithson of Newsham, yeomⁿ. :—A mess^{ge}. and garth, &c., a close called Lardberry and seven beast-gates or cattle-gates in the town-pasture in my own possession, value yearly £8.: of which I am seized of an estate for life, remainder to my son Rob. Smithson, in such sort as by the last will and testament of Augustine Smithson, late of Hutton Long Viccars [sic], gentⁿ., may appear. Signed by Tho. Wycliff, Attorney.

Rob. Shaw of Newsham, yeomⁿ. :—A mess^{ge}., with the barnes, &c., and all that garden, orchard, and two crofts or garths next adjoining upon the said dwelling-house; also my water corn-miln and kilne with the land thereunto belonging, and also several closes called Towne End Close, Old Spittle, Milne, Leaze, Peak, Milning, and Jeoffrey Leazes, six gates and a half in the common town-pasture unto my said mess^{ge}. and lands belonging, the miln being now demised to Miles Bonsvill for the yearly rent of £7.; and all the above-mentioned premisses, the said miln being included, being of the yearly rent of £30.: all which said premisses, with the reversion and recovery, remainder, rents, &c., are now vested in Will. Shaw and Will. Harrison, both of Newsham, by Lease for 999 years, reciting—Whereas Ralph Shaw, father of me the said Rob. Shaw, by his Indenture in writing on or about August 9, 1697, duly executed in the presence of Will. Smithson, Augustine Smithson, Mary Shaw, Tho. Judson, did for the consideration therein mentioned give, grant, bargain, &c., unto me his son all that his dwelling-house wherein he did then live and all the lands, &c., above mentioned, and all his right, title, interest and estate thereto, to have and to hold to me and my heirs for ever, I paying to the said Augustine Smithson, brother to the said Ralph Shaw, what money he the said Ralph owed to the said Augustine, £50. to one Mary Hutchinson of Helwith, £10. more to one Chr. Wilkinson of

Thorpe, £3. 14. to Barbara Shaw, daughter to the said Ralph Shaw, £6. a year to the said Ralph Shaw and his dyett whilst he lived with me, and £12. a year if he left me, to be paid quarterly by equal payments, £50. more if required at or before the death of the said Ralph, or within one year after, and £20. more to be paid to Hellen Hutchinson, wife of Will. Hutchinson of East Layton, within one year after the death of the said Ralph; and whereas the said Ralph Shaw by his last will, &c., witnessed by John Hutchinson, Ambrose Brignall, and Mary Thompson, duly proved in the Ecclesiastical Court at Richmond in the Diocese of Chester under the seal of the Office, March 11 last before the date of my said Indenture of Lease or trust deed, did amongst other gifts and bequests dispose to his daughter, Mary Rountry her four daughters, to each of them 40s., to each of his daughter Ellen Hutchinson's four daughters 40s., to the two daughters of his daughter Elizth. Hutchinson each 40s., to my three sons each 40s., to his daughter Barbara Shaw £5., chargeable with interest to be paid for the said legacy given to his said grandchildren to be paid to their several parents till they come at age, and of his said last will did constitute me sole executor: And also whereas I by my promissary note, witnessed by Chr. Bradley, Tho. Nesam his marke, Rob. Dayle, bearing date July 8, 1715, stand justly and truly indebted unto Augustine Smithson of Hutton Long Villers, gentⁿ, in the sum of £50., which should have been paid November 11 last, and likewise whereas I, by my bond bearing date March 29 last past, before the date of the said Lease or trust deed to the said Will. Shaw and Will. Harrison, stand indebted unto Sir Hugh Smithson of Stanwick in the penal sum of £200. conditioned for the payment of £100. with lawfull interest, upon March 29, 1717; and lastly, whereas I, being desirous that my late father's mind and will should in everything be fulfilled, and the several sums of money by him given and disposed of as abovesaid with interest for the same should be duly paid as he hath appointed, and also that the above-mentioned sums of money had and borrowed of the said Augustine Smithson and Sir Hugh Smithson upon security above named, with all legal interest then due or then after to accrue, should be honestly paid, I, the said Rob. Shaw, by my said Indenture of lease and for the consideration therein respectively mentioned, did demise, grant, &c., unto the said Will. Shaw and Will. Harrison all my said estate above mentioned to hold unto them for all the above-mentioned term of 999 years, upon the special trust and confidence following, that is to say, in the first place from time to time by the perception of the rents, &c., of the said estate to pay therewith the several principal sums of £50. and £100. due to Augustine Smithson and Sir Hugh Smithson, together with all legal interest then due for the same or which shculd become

due before they could be raised and paid by the perception of the rents of the said estate, and also of the residue of the rents to pay the abovesaid £20. to Hellen Hutchinson and £5. to Barbara Shaw, as also upon the further trust and confidence that they should also pay the legal interest of, and to become payable for, the several other legacies given by the above-named Ralph by his above in part recited last will from time to time and until such time as the said legacies shall become due by the direction of the said will: and also to impower and enable them out of the said rents to discharge the said legatees as the same shall severally become due to the several legatees, or such of them as the said legacies may become due unto by survivorship, as by the said will is appointed: and lastly upon this further trust that they shall from the full, ample payment of the several debts, legacies, and interest, and by the said rents shall have reimbursed themselves for all such further sums of money as they shall expend in the management of the said trust, shall, during the residue of the said term, well and duly pay all the clear yearly profits of the said estate thereby granted and vested in them for the said term unto me, my heirs, or such other persons as I by my last will duly executed in the presence of three or more credible witnesses should appoint. Signed by Tho. Wycliff, Attorney. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

John Lawson of Trinity parish in York, Esq., son and heir apparent of Sir Henry Lawson of Brough:—In the parish of Catherick a mess^{ge}, &c., and several closes called Catherick-Bridge Farm, let to Geo. Ovington at £38.; a mess^{ge}, &c., called Butley Farm let to Rich. Pitch and Leon. Pitch his son at £66.; a mess^{ge}, &c., called Breckonbrough Farm, let to Rob. Cockin and Will. Cockin by lease for several years at £58. yearly; two closes let to the said Will. and Rob. Cockin at £31.; a mess^{ge}, &c., let to Fr. Jaques, tenant at will, at £30.; a water corn-miln let to John Fuller at £6.; a close containing 12 acres with an orchard or nursery adjoining to it let to Miles Lodge at £8.: Of all which premisses, &c., I have an estate for the term of my natural life, and I do acknowledge myself to stand indebted to several persons in all £400.; and the said mess^{ges}, &c., are charged by my marriage settlement with the payment of £60. a year in the name of pinn-money to my wife. Signed by Tho. Wycliff, Attorney. [Signed] Roger Talbot, W^m. Reveley.

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 ,, Joel, Hemsley
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 ,, Brompton
 ,, Rich., Brompton Moore
 Addison, John, Harwooddale
 Adston, Mark, Northallerton
 Agle, John, Tollerton
 Agar, John, Ridcar
 ,, Joseph, Wilton
 ,, Rob., Redcar
 ,, Tho., Redcar
 Airson, John, Hemsley
 ,, Rich.
 Airton, Will., Swineyside
 Alcocke, John, Sand Hutton
 ,, Leon., Cathericke
 Alderson, Anderson, Anth., Reeth
 ,, Edw., Askrigg
 ,, Fr., Long Cowton
 ,, Geo., Bowes
 ,, Richmond
 ,, Henry, Thirske
 ,, Jas., Healey
 ,, John, Birkdale
 ,, Gailes

Jurymen, List of:—

- Alderson, John, Gristhorpe
 ,, Leberston
 ,, New Malton
 ,, Newsham
 ,, Oxenupe
 ,, Math., Reeth
 ,, Rich., Flawith
 ,, Patricke Brompton
 ,, Rob., Bagby
 ,, Dalton
 ,, Welbury
 ,, Roger, Bowes
 ,, Simon, Melmerby
 ,, Stephen, Thirske
 ,, Tho., New Malton
 ,, West Briscoe
 ,, Will., Dalton
 ,, Gaines
 ,, junr., Gaines
 ,, Richmond
 ,, Sowerby
 Allan, Allen, Allon, Fr., Tanfeild
 ,, John, Whashton
 ,, Tho., Richmond
 ,, Vallentine, Skeeby,
 Allanson, Allatson, Allerson. Alli-
 son, Alison, Chr.,
 Ampleforth
 ,, John, Fileingdales
 ,, Thornton
 ,, Mich., Ampleforth
 ,, Upsall
 ,, Rob., Thirske
 ,, Tho., Kinthorpe
 ,, Thirske
 ,, Will., Fileingdales
 ,, Northallerton
 ,, Osmotherley
 ,, senr., Osmotherley
 ,, Snainton
 Almacke, Awmocke, John, Sand
 Hutton
 ,, Tho., Sand Hutton
 ,, junr., Sand Hutton
 ,, Will., Sand Hutton
 Almand, Almond, Awman, Fr.,
 Thirske
 ,, Fr., Woodhall
 ,, John, Northallerton
 ,, Rich., Skipton-on-Swale
 ,, Rowland, South Otter-
 ington
 ,, Tho., Thirske

Jurymen, List of :—

Annison, Geo., New Malton
 Apleby, Ambrose, Cotherston
 ,, Chr., Northallerton
 ,, Geo.
 Apleton, Appleton, Math., Hutton
 Rudby
 ,, Rich., Stoxley
 ,, Will., Brompton Moore
 Applegarth, Will., Dalton
 Archer, Benjamin, Richmond
 Armstrong, Geo., Hutton Rudby
 ,, Tho., Ainderby Steeple
 Arnet, Arnitt, John, Sowerby
 ,, Rob., Sowerby
 Arthur, Ralph, Richmond
 Askew, Geo., Ellinsttring
 Askwith, Chr., Ellinsttring
 ,, John, Ellinsttring
 Atkinson, Andrew, Thornton
 ,, Anth., Reeth
 ,, Chr., Rookewith
 ,, Henry, Midleton
 ,, John, Carleton
 ,, „ Eppleby
 ,, „ Newsholme
 ,, Rich., Patrick Brompton
 ,, „ Thornbrough
 ,, Rob., Coverham
 ,, Sam., Patrick Brompton
 ,, Symon, Thrintoft
 ,, Tho., Farndale
 ,, Will., Hawkeswell
 ,, „ Hunton
 Atley, Geo., Thirske
 ,, Will., Thirske
 Autherson, Henry, Thirske
 ,, Stephen, Thirske
 ,, Will., Thirske
 Auton, Awton, Ayton, John, Fearby
 ,, John, Hornby
 Ayre, Aire, Ayer, John, Thirske
 ,, Rich., Thirske
 ,, Tho., Ormesby (Non-Jur.,
 Oct^r. 5, 1714)
 Baddyson, Rob., Hovingham
 Bailes, Bayles, Anth., Rombald-
 kirke
 ,, Tho., Lartington
 Bailey, Baley, Bayley, John, Asque,
 Aiskew
 Bainbridge, Bainbrig, John, Rich-
 mond
 ,, Rob., Yarome

Jurymen, List of :—

Bainbridge, Tho., Bowesfeild
 Baine, John, Northallerton
 Baker, Henry, Busby
 ,, „ Broughton
 ,, John, Wilton
 ,, Tho., Nawton
 Baitman, Bateman, Chas., Middle-
 ham
 ,, Chas., Cathorpe
 ,, Chr., Middleham
 ,, Parcivel, Middleham
 ,, Tho., Beedall
 ,, „ Middleham
 Baliffe, John, Fewland
 Ball, John, Middleham
 Barber, Chr., Faceby
 Barden, Bardon, Barton, Fr.,
 Thirske
 ,, Sam., Harwood[d]ale
 ,, Tho., Brompton Moore
 Bardy, John, Northallerton
 ,, Tho., Crosby
 Barker, Chr., Faceby
 ,, Geo., Hemsley
 ,, Henry, Great Busby
 ,, „ Little Broughton
 ,, „ Richmond
 ,, John, Bewdlam
 ,, „ Carleton
 ,, „ Hemsley
 ,, „ Hustwhaite
 ,, „ Nauton
 ,, „ Ovington
 ,, „ Thirske
 ,, „ Wilton
 ,, Nich., Beadlam
 ,, Oswoold, Hemsley
 ,, Rich., Bransdale
 ,, „ Carleton
 ,, „ Wilton
 ,, Rob., Hemsley
 ,, Tho., Cathericke
 ,, „ Richmond
 ,, „ Wilton
 ,, Will., East Appleton
 ,, „ Hemsley
 Barnby, Fr., Disforth
 ,, John, Flawith
 ,, „ New Malton
 ,, „ Tholthorpe
 ,, Tho., Alne
 Barnes, Chr., Welbury
 Barnsfather, John

Jurymen, List of:—

Barnitt, John, Theakston
 Barraby, Fr., Disforth
 Barthram, Geo., Stoxley
 Bartindale, Will., New Malton
 Barugh, Jasper, Disforth
 „ John, Disforth
 „ „ jun^r., Disforth
 „ Rob., Disforth
 „ Tho., Disforth
 Barwick, John, Swinithwaite
 „ Joshua, Swinithwaite
 „ Tho., Ouston
 Batt, John, Middleham
 Batter, Batters, Rob., Sutton-on-the-Forest
 „ Tho., Sutton-on-the-Forest
 Batty, Tho., Carleton
 Bawmer, Rob., Greenhow
 Baxter, Rich., Hemsley
 „ Tho., Claxton
 Bean, Beane, Nich., Kirbymoor-side
 Bearpark, Math., Preston
 Beck, Becke, Henry, Carleton
 „ Rich., Melmerby
 Beckwith, John, Exilby
 „ „ Langthorpe
 „ Mich., Masham
 „ Sam., Burton
 „ Tho., Langthorpe
 „ Will., Masham
 Becroft, Tho., Hemsley
 Bedson, Betson, John, Ruswarpe
 Bell, Abraham, Thirske
 „ Chr., Sowerby
 „ „ Thirske
 „ Fr., West Witton
 „ Gabriel, Yarne
 „ Guy, Easingwould
 „ Henry, Easingwould
 „ Humphrey, Gales
 „ John, Balke
 „ „ Flaxton
 „ „ Thirske
 „ Oliver, Skeeby
 „ Parcivel, West Witton
 „ Ralph, Deighton
 „ „ Sowerby
 „ Rich., Thirske
 „ Rob., Aske
 „ „ Broughton
 „ „ Thirske
 „ Stephen, Sowerby

Jurymen, List of:—

Bell, Tho., Fawdington
 „ „ Skeeby
 „ „ Thirske
 „ Will., Fawdington
 „ „ Flaxton
 Bellingham, Will., Flaxton
 Belt, Will., Silton
 Belwood, Will.
 Bendlowes, Geo., Burniston
 Bennyson, Geo., Brotton
 Bentley, Geo., Hemsley
 „ Jordan, Hemsley
 „ Peter, Hemsley
 „ Rich., Hemsley
 „ „ Thirske
 „ Rob., Hemsley
 „ Will., Hemsley
 Berry, Rob., Beedall
 Beswicke, Geo., Grisborpe
 „ John, Grisborpe
 „ Rich., Hutton Bushell
 Bickars, Bickers, Bickres, Henry, Thirske
 „ John, Thirske
 „ Laur., Kirby Sigston
 „ Mark, Thirske
 „ Tho., Thirske
 Billop, Billup, Billups, Rich., Carlton Miniott
 Bindlows, Geo., Aiskew
 Bingley, John, Thirske
 „ Joseph, Aiskew
 Binkes, Laur., Kirby Sigston
 „ Martin, Richmond
 „ Ralph, Bowes
 „ Rich., Stonykeld
 Bird, Henry, Gilling
 „ Jas., Stoxley
 Bishopbridge, Bishopricke, Rob., Brompton - on - Swale
 „ Tho., Brompton-on-Swale
 Blackburne, Geo., Gailes
 „ „ Guisbrough
 Blacket, John, Dalton
 „ Rob., Gailes
 Blaides, Blades, Fr., Grinton
 „ Henry, Grinton
 „ John, Harkeyside
 „ Solamon, Solomon, Richmond
 „ Tho., Richmond

Jurymen, List of:—

Blades, Tristram, Middleham
 Bland, Henry, Fileingdales
 „ Rob., Easingwold
 „ „ Fileingdales
 „ Tho., Easingwold
 „ „ Hemsley
 „ Will., Easingwold
 „ „ Fileingdales
 „ „ jun^{r.}, Easingwold
 Blenkhorne, Edw., Terrington
 „ Henry, Gilling
 Blenkinson, Blenkiron, Barth., Mar-
 rick
 „ Henry, Gilling
 Blithe, Blythe, Geo., Disforth
 Boddy, Body, John, Stoxley
 „ Rob., Harum
 „ „ Hurkum
 „ Will., Northallerton
 Boldby, Bowlby, Boltby, Boultby,
 Geo., Rivalx
 „ Jurdan, Hemsley
 „ Rich., New Malton
 „ Rob., Whity
 „ Will., Hemsley
 Bolton, Boulton, Rob., New Malton
 „ Tho., New Malton
 „ Will., Skewsby-cum-Dalby
 „ „ Thirske
 Boseman, Bosomman, Geo., Skel-
 ton
 Bosemworth, Bosewood, Anth.,
 Birdforth
 „ Geo., Thirske
 „ John, Balke
 „ Tho., Pottoe
 Botton, Henry, Skelton
 Bowcocke, Tho., Northallerton
 Bowes, Edw., Brompton
 „ Geo., Seamer
 „ Jas., Northallerton
 „ John, Bagby
 „ „ Thoraldby
 „ „ Welbury
 „ „ jun^{r.}, Welbury
 „ Math., Easingwould
 „ Rich., Northallerton
 Boyes, Jas., Hemsley
 „ „ Wilton
 „ Ralph, Whitby
 „ Rich., Glazendale
 „ Rob., Hemsley
 „ „ New Malton

Jurymen, List of:—

Boyes, Rob., Rosdale
 „ Stephen, Rosdale
 „ Tho., Hircham (? Hurkum)
 Brabiner, Braviner, Rich., Hewby,
 Huby
 Bradley, Major, Thirske
 „ Tho., Northallerton
 Bradshaw, Nich., Pickering Lyth
 Bramley, Geo., Masham
 Brash, Edw., Melsonby
 Brasse, Chas., Stoxley
 „ Edw., Melsonby
 „ Rich., Richmond
 „ Tho., Danby Wiske
 Brecklebanke, John, Cayton
 Brettaine, Breton, Britton, Geo.,
 Thornton Beanies
 „ Geo., Thornton-le-Moore
 „ Jas., Knayton
 „ John, Thornton-le-Moore
 „ Tho., Thirske
 Brewster, Tho., Gauthrope
 Brockell, Squire, Hunton
 Brodericke, Bradricke, Bradwicke,
 Mark, East Hawkswell
 „ Ralph, Richmond
 Browne, Fr., Caythrop
 „ „ Easby
 „ Gilbert, Beedall,
 „ Jas., Hemsley
 „ John, Bowes
 „ „ Holme
 „ „ Northallerton
 „ „ Sand Hutton
 „ „ Thirske
 „ „ Thornbrough
 „ Laur., Baldersby
 „ Rich., Stoxley
 „ Rob., Richmond
 „ Sam., Northallerton
 „ Tho., Dalton
 „ „ Hemsley
 „ „ West Witton
 „ Will., Chapell
 „ „ Easby
 „ „ Easingwould
 „ „ Fingall
 „ „ Hemsley
 „ „ St. Trinian's
 „ „ Thirske
 Buck, John, Dalton
 „ Mich., Northallerton
 Buckle, Anth., Carleton

Jurymen, List of:—

Buckle, Chr., Preston
 „ Fr., West Witton
 „ Mich., Richmond
 „ Nich.
 Buckton, Tho., Marricke
 „ „ Owsçay
 „ „ jun^r, Richmond
 Bulmer, Geo., Morton
 „ Henry, Richmond
 „ John, Richmond
 Bulson, Roger, Saltergate
 Burden, Burdin, Burdon, John,
 Yarome
 „ Tho., Stainton
 Burnand, Geo., Slingsby
 „ Rich., Slingsby
 Burne, Geo., Cotherston
 „ „ Slingsby
 Burnet, Chr., Northallerton
 „ Rob., Hustwaite
 Burrell, Burrill, Cuthb., Caldwell
 „ „ Melsonby
 „ Edw., Little Crakall
 „ John, Caldwell
 „ Rob., Hangbanke
 Burton, Geo., Richmond
 „ John, Appleton-le-Moore
 „ Tho., Yarome
 „ Will., Guisbrough
 Busby, John, Knayton
 „ Tho., Richmond
 „ Will., Yarome
 Butterfield, John, West Scrafton
 „ Mich., West Witton
 „ Tho., Richmond
 Buttericke, Butterwicke, John,
 Yarne
 „ Math., Thirske
 Button, Tho., Northallerton
 Byvill, Bywell, Jas., Thoraldby
 „ John, Thoraldby
 „ „ West Witton
 Calvert, Chr., Hudswell
 „ Fr., Ridmar
 „ Geo., Wilton
 „ John, Burton-in-Bishopdale
 „ „ Northallerton
 „ „ Ridmire
 „ „ Skelton
 „ „ Tidkinhow
 „ Mark, Northallerton
 „ Rich., Ainderby Steeple
 „ Will., Ballowfeild

Jurymen, List of:—

Calvert, Will., Guisbrough
 Cambage, Rich., Richmond
 Camplin, Campion, Peter, Glaze-
 dale
 „ Ralph, Danby
 „ Will., Pickton
 Carleton, Henry, Tunstall
 Carlill, Tho., New Malton
 Carr, Carre, Stephan, Middleham
 „ Will., Long Rig
 Carris, Will., Hewby
 Carter, Chr., Hunton
 „ Edw., Burniston
 „ John, Brompton-on-Swale
 „ „ Easingwould
 „ „ jun., Brompton - on-
 Swale
 „ Nich., Beedall
 „ „ Burniston
 „ Rob., Crakalls
 „ „ Leyburne
 „ „ Northallerton
 „ Tho.
 „ Will., Ainderby Steeple
 „ „ Easingwould
 Carver, Will., Kilvington
 Cass. Casse, Geo., Hushwaite
 „ John, Akaster Hill
 „ „ Birdforth cum-Hutton
 „ „ Carleton
 „ „ Hemsley
 „ „ Hushwaite
 „ „ Hutton
 „ Rich., Dunsforth
 „ Tho., Northallerton
 „ Will., Hutton Bushell
 Cassentine, John, Caldbrugh
 Castle, Fr., Moorsome
 Caygill, Will., Carleton
 Cayley, Will., Thormanby
 Challoner, Jas., Mertin
 Chambers, Rob., Normanby
 Chapman, Fr., Thornton Rust
 „ Geo., New Malton
 „ „ Upleatham
 „ John, Faceby
 „ „ Thornton Rust
 „ Mich., Uglebarnby
 „ Sam., Bagby
 „ „ Thirske
 „ Will., Upleatham
 Chappell, Rob., Richmond
 „ Will., Richmond

Jurymen, List of :—

Cheeseman, Cheesman, Nich., Cropton
" Rob., Cropton
" Will., Cropton
Chemwell, Geo., Northallerton
Chester, Stephen, Hemsley
Clapham, Rich., Danby Wiske
" Rob., Beedall
Clarke, Clerk, Chr., Whitwell
" Fr., New Malton
" Geo., Northallerton
" John, Crakehall
" Ralph, Thorpe
" Rich., Lestingham
" Wilton
" Tho., Easingwold
" Kirby Misperton
" Whitby
" Will., Hemsley
" Lockton
" Wath
Clarkson, Clerkeson, Anth., Richmond
" Godfrey, Thirske
" Jas., Sowerby-cum-Cotcliffe
" Stonesdale
" Thirske
" John, Thirske
" jun^r, Thirske
" Tho., Melsonby
" Thirske
" Will., Thirske
Claxton, Geo., Screwton
" Rich., Aiskew
" Screwton
Cliffe, Chr., Thirske
" Henry, Northallerton
Close, Anth., Whiteyside
" Henry, Richmond
" Jas., Grinton
" Whiteyside
" jun^r, Grinton
" Miles, Harkaside
" West Grinton
" Ralph, Richmond
Clough, Clow, Jas., Skipton
" John, Carleton - cum - Islebecke
" Carleton Miniott
" Sandhouse
" Tho., Carleton Miniott
" Lowehouse

Jurymen, List of :—

Clough, Tho., Sandhouse
" " Sand Hutton
" " Thirske
Coates, Chr., Balke
" Middleham
" Pasterhouse
" Thirske
" Thornton Beanes
" Edw., Appleton
" Butterwicke - cum - Newsome
" Geo., Stonekeld
" Thirske
" Gervass, Whitby
" Jas., Melmerby
" Northallerton
" Thirkleby
" Thirske
" Thornton Beanes
" John, Brompton Moore
" Hudswell
" Swinton
" Thornton Beanes
" Oswald, Thirske
" Rich., Borrowby
" Stonekeld
" Rob., Burniston
" Richmond
" Will., Brompton
" Pasterhouse
" Romanby
" Thirske
" Thornton Beanes
Cockerill, Cockrill, Fatuel, Filingdales
" Marm., Manfeild
" Tho., Filingdales
" Will., Littlebeck
Colley, Peter, Tollerton
Collier, Geo., Seamer
Collin, Colling, John, Bowefield
" Joseph, Richmond
" Rich., Starforth
Collinson, Will., Little Barugh
Comin, Leon., Hemsley
Con, Conn, Conne, Geo., Danby
" Geo., Upleatham
" Rob., Upleatham
Conset, Consitt, John, Linthorpe
" Rob., Hovingham
" Will., Hovingham
Constantine, Rob., Carleton
Conyers, Jas., Thirske

Jurymen, List of:—

Conyers, Rob., Hemsley
 Cooke, Geo., Aiskew
 " " Beedall
 " " Northallerton
 " " Thirske
 " Henry, Kirklington
 " Luke, Newton
 " Percival, Skeeby
 " Phillip, Egtorpe
 " Tho.
 " Will., Appleton
 Cooken, Chr., Hipswell
 Cooper, Cowper, Anth., Carleton-cum-Islebeck
 " Anth., Carleton Menevit
 " Cuthbert
 " Geo., Bowforth
 " " Sand Hutton
 " Henry, Kirbymooreside
 " Jas., Raskelfe
 " Tho., Hemsley
 " " Ugthorpe
 " Will., Hemsley
 " " Ugthorpe
 Coopland, Copland, Cowpland,
 John, Easingwould
 " " sen^r., Easing-
 would
 " Miles, Hunday
 " Rich., Easingwould
 " Will., Easingwould
 Corner, Will., Upleatham
 Cornforth, Chr., Hutton Rudby
 Corney, Will., Upleatham
 Cotham, Rob., Maske
 Cottingham, Edw., Tunstall
 " Fr., Easby
 " Tho., Tunstall
 Coulman, John, Pickering
 " Roger, Cropton
 Coults, Geo., Wapley
 Court, Fr., Richmond
 Courtas, Tho., Kirklington
 Coverdale, Will., Hawske
 " " Whitby
 " " jun^r., Hawske
 Cowling, Geo., Richmond
 " John, Richmond
 " Tho., Dalton
 " " Kirby Hill
 Cowton, Chr., Melmerby
 " Will., Melmerby
 Craggs, John, Scorton

Jurymen, List of:—

Craike, Crake, John, Wimbleton
 Craven, Jas., Sinington
 Crawe, Arthur, Richmond
 " Will., Upleatham
 Crawforth, John, Brompton
 " Rob., Brompton
 " Tho., Brompton
 " Will., Brompton
 Crosby, Chr., New Malton
 " John, Thirske
 " Math., Marske
 Crosland, Croslands, Fr., Thirske
 " John, Thirske
 " " jun^r, Thirske
 Crosley, Fr., jun^r, Thirske
 " " sen^r, Thirske
 " Jas., Thirske
 " John, jun^r, Thirske
 " " sen^r, Thirske
 Crosse, Will., Ayton
 Cumings, Tho., Helmsley
 Cundall, Fr., Tollerton
 " John, Tollerton
 " Will., Easingwold
 Cussan, Cussins, Will., Flawith
 Cust, Jas., Hutton Rudby
 " Rob., Danby Wiske
 " " jun^r, Danby Wiske
 " Tho., Danby Wiske
 " " Hutton Rudby
 Cutchbert, Tho., Thornton-le-
 Beanes
 Cuthbert, Will., Kirkleatham
 Daget, Dagget, Henry, Pickhall
 " Rich., Ainderby Whearn-
 howe
 " " Kirby Wiske
 " " jun^r., Ainderby
 Whearnhowe
 " Rob., Catton
 " Will., Disforth
 " " Mawnby-on-Swale
 " " Pickhall
 " " Thirske
 " " jun^r, Roakesby
 Dale, Chas., Filingdales
 " Chr., Crakall
 " " Pickhall
 " John, Sutton-in-the-Forest
 " Rich., Thornbrough
 " Roger, Thirske
 " Will., Catton
 " " Thirske

Jurymen, List of :—

Dale, Will., jun ^r .	Catton
Dalkin, Dawkin, Gilbert	Yarm
,,	Rob., Great Broughton
,,	,, Guisbrough
,,	,, Stoxley
Dalton, John	Sheriff Hutton
,,	,, Wigginton
,,	,, Rich., Wigginton
Danby, Edm.	Hemsley
,,	Edw., Thirske
,,	Henry, Northallerton
,,	John, Caythorpe
,,	Rich., Melsonby
,,	Rob., Aldbrough
,,	,, Melsonby
,,	Will., Cathorpe
Darnton, Math.	Sutton
Davison, Davinson, John	Ainderby Steeple
,,	Rich., Hemsley
,,	Tho., West Rownton
,,	Will., Ainderby Steeple
Dawbikin, Laur.	East Hawkeswe
Dawson, Chr.	Fearby, Firby
,,	Fr., Carleton
,,	Godfrey, Coverham
,,	John, Linton
,,	Mark, Lazenby
,,	Math., Masham
,,	Oswald, Thirske
,,	Rich., Melmerby
,,	Rob., Stoxley
,,	Roger, Melmerby
,,	Tho., Carleton
,,	,, Stoxley
Day, Will.	Easingwold
Deane, Tho.	Old Malton
Deighton, Geo.	
,,	Henry, Carleton
,,	Ralph, Thirske
Denham, Anth.	Thornton
,,	Tho., Thornton
Dennis, Dinnis, Jerome	Jeremias
,,	New Malton
,,	Will., Northallerton
Dent, Edwin	Laborne
,,	John, Briscoe
,,	,, Rookewith
,,	,, Thirne
,,	Tho., Carkinfeild
Denton, Chr.	Nawton-cum-Bewlam
,,	Rob., New Malton

Jurymen, List of :—

Dickins, Chr.,	Pickhall
"	Will., Stockton
Dickinson, John,	Whitby
"	Laur., New Malton
"	Rich., Thirske
"	Rob., Tholthorpe
"	Tho., Aldwarke
"	„ Burniston
"	„ Thirske
"	Will., Burniston
"	„ jun ^{r.} , Burniston
Dickson, Dixon, Chr.,	Bellerby
"	Midleham
"	Jas., Thornton
"	John, Bellerby
"	Math., Middleham
"	„ Varome
"	Peter, Middleham
"	Rich., Garricke
"	„ Middleham
"	Rob., Middleham
"	„ Northallerton
"	„ Sutton - in - the - Forrest
"	Tho., Thoraldby
"	Will., Middleham
"	„ Newbegin
Dinam, Tho.,	Thornton
Dinmoore, John,	Sowerby
Dinsdale, Henry,	Theakston
Dinsley, Rich.	
"	Will., Hemsley
Dobison, Laur.,	East Hawkswell
Dobson, Fr.,	Easingwold
"	Jas., Alne
"	„ Tollerton
"	Rich., Aislaby
"	„ Frearhill
"	„ Sinington
"	Rob., sen ^{r.} , Tollerton
"	Roger, Cropton
"	„ Pickering
"	Will., Alne
"	„ Tollerton
Doby, Dobby, Rob.,	Aislaby
Dodgson, Math.,	Alne
Dodsworth, Arthur,	Caythrop
"	Peter, Cathorpe
"	Rich., Burniston
Doncaster, Fr.,	Thirske
"	John, Thirske
"	Will., Thirske
"	„ jun ^{r.} , Thirske

Jurymen, List of :—

Dossy, Rich., Hornby
 Dove, Roger, Allerston
 ,, Goatland
 ,, Will., Danby
 ,, Goatland
 Downes, Jas., Busby
 ,, Rob., Stoxley
 Dowsland, Henry, Ayton
 Dowson, Chr., Stoxley
 ,, Tho., Stoxley
 Dowthwaite, Jas., Balke
 Driffeild, John, Easingwold
 ,, Rob., Easingwold
 ,, junr., Easingwold
 ,, Tho., Easingwold
 ,, Will., Easingwold
 ,, Zachary, Easingwold
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 Dring, Edm., New Malton
 Dryden, John, Yafforth
 Duck, Duke, Geo., Danby
 Ducket, Duckit, Will., Hunton
 Duckman, Will., Hawsker
 Duffton, Dufton, Tho., junr., Richmond
 ,, Tho., senr., Richmond
 ,, Will., Richmond
 Dun, Dunn, Dunne, Geo., Northallerton
 ,, John, Ainderby Wearnhowe
 ,, Romanby
 ,, Joseph, Northallerton
 ,, Math., Thornton-le-Moore
 ,, Symon, Rummanby
 ,, Thornton-le-Moore
 ,, „ senr., Thornton - le - Moore
 ,, Tho., Thornton-le-Moore
 ,, „ Warlaby
 ,, Will., Warlaby
 Duning, Dunning, Edw., Brompton
 ,, Fr., Bagby
 ,, Geo., Balke
 ,, „ Mount Parke
 ,, John, Sutton
 ,, „ Thirske
 ,, Rob., Brompton
 Eagle, John, Tollerton
 Earson, Math., Swinton
 Easby, Mich., Ayton
 Easton, Henry, Farndale
 ,, Mark, Rousby
 Edon, Jas.

Jurymen, List of :—

Eeles, Eales, Eles, Eyles, Ralph,
 Sowerby
 ,, Tho., Sowerby
 Eller, Jas., Thirske
 ,, Will., Thirske
 Ellersby, Geo., Appleton-le-Moore
 ,, Joseph, Guisbrough
 ,, Tho., Trenholme
 Ellerton, Edw., West Witton
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 „ John, Hewby
 „ Tho., Little Ayton
 „ Will., East Rounton
 Mathews, John, Easingwold
 Matterson, Peter, Myton
 Maude, Ralph, East Briscoe
 Maughan, John, Richmond
 Maunby, Rich., Hemsley
 Mawer, John, Skelton
 „ „ Upleatham
 Mayson, Chr., New Malton
 „ Tho., Crakalls Ambo
 „ Will., Stoxley
 „ „ Thirske
 Mease, Fr., Caldwell
 „ Will., Cawdwell
 Med, Medd, Meed, John, sen^r.,
 New Malton
 „ Mark, Wykeham
 „ Nich., Lestingham
 „ „ Snainton
 „ Will., Hartoft
 „ „ Rosedale
 Meeker, Geo., Northallerton
 „ „ Thornton-le-Moore
 „ „ Warlaby
 „ Jas., Sawler
 „ „ Warlaby Moore
 „ John, Carleton Miniott
 „ „ Mawnby
 „ „ Sand Hutton
 „ Mich., Maunby-on-Swale
 „ Simon, Northallerton (Non-
 Jur. July 27, 1714)
 Meggison, Tho., Stoxley
 Melmerby, Melnerby, Chr., Brompton-on-Swale
 Melsonby, Will., Welbury
 Mercer, Geo., Keldome
 „ Jas., Kirby Milnes
 „ John, Rosedale
 „ „ Thornton-on-the-Hill
 Merrington, John, Northallerton

Jurymen, List of :—

Merrington, Stephen, East Harlesey
 Merriton, Fr., Northallerton
 Merry, Mirry, John, Lockton
 „ Rob., Lockton
 „ Will., Lockton
 Messenger, John, Bradley
 „ Tho., Thirske
 Metcalfe, Anth., Dikehead
 „ Barth., West Witton
 „ Geo., Thirske
 „ Giles, jun^r., Whiteyside
 „ Henry, Carleton
 „ Jas., Beedall
 „ John, Carperby
 „ Parcivel, Midleham
 „ Rich., Thoraldby
 „ Tho., Askrig
 „ „ Ayton
 „ „ Bainebrig
 „ „ Cubecke
 „ „ Hawes
 „ „ Shelcoate
 „ „ Stoxley
 „ „ Woodhall
 Mewburne, Jas., Stoxley
 „ John, Eston
 „ Miles, Loftus
 Micklefeild, Rob., Habton
 Midleton, Geo., Midleton Tyas
 „ John, Barford
 „ „ Midleton Tyas
 Milburne, Will., Stoxley
 Miles, Arthur, North Cowton
 „ Mich., East Harlesey
 „ Rich., North Cowton
 „ Tho., Stoxley
 „ Will., Stoxley
 „ „ Tollerton
 Miller, Milner, Anth., Mewker
 „ Geo., Bagby
 „ „ Grinton
 „ „ Harkeyside
 „ „ Whitbeck
 „ Giles, Bagby
 „ Henry, Filingdales
 „ John, Dycas
 „ John, Hemsley
 „ Mich., Thoraldby
 „ Peter, Mewker
 „ Tho., Filingdales
 „ „ Healey
 Milly, Will., Stoxley
 Milnes, Will., Tollerton

Jurymen, List of :—

Milson, Will., Welbury
 Minard, Tho., Burton-cum-Walden
 Mires, Myers, Geo.
 „ Math., Hewby
 „ Rich., Hemsley
 „ Rob., Hewby
 „ Tho., Broughton
 „ „ Hemsley
 „ „ Thirske
 Mirg, Rob., Lockton
 Mitchell, Michell, Mitchill, Arthur,
 Roodes
 „ Chr., Theakston
 „ Geo., Exilby
 „ Giles, Exilby
 „ John, Pickering
 „ „ Sproxton
 „ Jonathan, Bolderton
 „ „ Bowes
 „ Will., Theakston
 Mitchelson, Jas., Little Otterington
 „ Tho., Pickering
 „ Will., Pickering
 Monckman, Monkman, John, File-
 ingdales
 „ Will., Allerton
 Monday, Andrew, Griffe
 „ Edmund
 Moone, John, Whitby
 „ Rich., Glazendale
 „ Tho., Kirby Misperton
 „ „ Stoxley
 Moorehouse, Mourhouse, Chr.,
 Hemsley
 „ Ralph, Hemsley
 „ Tho., Helmesley
 Morland, John, Harnby
 „ Philip, West Rownton
 „ Tho., Stoxley
 Morley, Fr., Bellerby
 „ Math., Northallerton
 „ Tho., Stoxley
 „ Will., Gilling
 Morrell, Morrill, Andrew, Thor-
 monby
 „ Chas., Raskelfe
 „ John, Bagby
 „ „ Woodcockhouse
 „ „ jun^r., Bagby
 „ Rob., Balke Woodhouse
 „ „ Thornton-on-the-Hill
 „ Tho., Bagby
 „ „ Little Thirkelby

Jurymen, List of :—

Morrell, Tho., Thirske
 „ „ jun^r., Bagby
 „ „ „ Thirkleby
 „ Will., Thirske
 „ „ „ Woodcockhouse
 Morret, Rich., Stoxley
 Mosey, Will., Thirklebys Ambo
 Mosse, Will., Gilling
 Mountaine, Rich., Holtby - cum -
 Warlaby
 „ Will., Bagby
 „ „ Thirske
 Munforth, Momfit, Chr., Pattericke
 Brompton
 Murthwaite, Nich., Gilling
 Nandicke, Nendicke, Fr., Kirby
 Misperton
 „ Will., Pickering
 Neesome, Nesome, Chas., Dalton-
 on-Tease
 „ Chas., Smeaton
 „ Rob., Stapleton
 „ Will., Richmond
 Nellest, Nellis, Peter, Danby Dale
 Nelson, John, Thirske
 „ „ West Layton
 „ Mark, Northallerton
 „ Ralph, Sowerby
 „ Rich., Carleton
 „ Rob., Northallerton
 „ Tho., Beedall
 „ Will., Thirske
 Nesse, Ness, Chr., Newton
 „ John, Ryland
 „ „ Flaxton
 „ „ Newton
 „ „ Sunley Hill
 „ „ sen^r., Newton
 „ Peter, Fryton
 „ Rich., Pickering
 „ Roger, Pickering
 „ Will., Newton
 Nevison, Will., Upsall Parke
 Neworke, Fr., Hewby
 Newsham, Newsam, Newsome,
 John, Deighton
 „ John, Langthorpe
 „ „ „ Math., Langthorpe
 Newton, John, Whitby
 „ Tho., Bowes
 „ „ „ Eskdaleside
 Nicholl, Nicholls, Cornelius, Whitby
 „ Henry, Gilling

Jurymen, List of :—

Nicholl, Henry, Norton-in-Luto
 „ Humfrey, Richmond
 „ Jas., Richmond
 „ John, Gilling
 „ „ Norton-in-Luto
 „ Tho., Harthforth
 „ „ Norton-in-Luto
 Nicholson, Chr., Screwton
 „ Fr., North Cowton
 „ John, Thornton Rust
 „ Timothy, Barningham
 „ Tho., Brompton
 Nickson, Nixon, Tho., Brompton
 Moore
 Nightingale, Will., Oswaldchurch
 Noble, John, Great Barugh
 „ „ Pickering
 „ Joseph, Eskdaleside
 „ „ Whitby
 Nodding, Edw., Kirbymoor-side
 Norman, Normand, Math., Rich-
 mond
 „ Will., Richmond
 Norris, Rob., Beedall
 North, Chr., Butterwicke
 „ Fr., East Ayton
 „ Geo., Thirske
 „ Mark, Butterwicke - cum
 Newsome
 „ Rich., Thirske
 Norton, John, Worsall
 Nottingham, Nottingham, Henry,
 Helperby
 Oastler, Ostler, Will., Bagby
 Oates, Math., Norton-in-Luto
 Oliver, Tho., Yarome
 Osburne, Will., Whitby
 Other, Tho., West Tanfeild
 Otterburne, Henry, Kirbymoor-side
 „ Rich., Appleton - le-
 Moore
 „ „ Spawnton
 „ Rob., Appleton - le-
 Moore
 „ „ Kirbymoore -
 side
 „ Will., Appleton - le -
 Moore
 Ovington, Tho., Melsonby
 Oxley, John, Glazendale
 „ Rich., Danby
 „ „ Glazendale
 „ „ junr., Glazendale

Jurymen, List of :—

Oxnard, Tho., Gilling
 Owthwaite, John, Thirske
 „ Joseph, Thirske
 Page, Paige, John, Thirske
 „ Tho., Thirske
 Pallaser, Palliser, Chr., Kirby Wiske
 „ Chr., Langton
 „ George
 „ John, Thirske
 „ Sam., Thirske
 „ Simon, Thirske
 „ Tho., Kirby Wiske
 Palmer, Will., Hutton Rudby
 Pannet, Geo., Alne
 Pape, John, Hemsley
 Parke, Henry, Pickering
 „ John, Pickering Lyth
 „ Rich., Pickering
 „ Roger, Pickering
 „ Will., Pickering
 „ „ junr., Pickering
 Parker, Geo., Langthorpe
 „ „ junr., Langthorpe
 „ John, Northallerton
 „ Will., High Ellington
 Parkin, Parkins, Chas., Bathersdale
 „ John, Leverton
 „ „ Worsill
 „ Ralph, Baldersdale
 „ „ Cotherston
 „ „ Newhouses
 Parkinson, Rich., Pickering
 „ Rob., Cowton
 Patten, Nich., Lazenby
 „ Rich., Lazenby
 Peacocke, Peacocke, Chr., Danby
 Wiske
 „ Chr., South Cowton
 „ Denis, Dinnis, Nunning-
 ton
 „ Lancelot, Hutton Sessey
 „ Ralph, Middleton
 „ Rob., Sand Hutton
 „ Tho., Brawith
 „ „ Great Langton
 „ Will., Huntington
 „ „ Middleton
 „ „ Nunnington
 „ „ Thornton-le-Street
 Pearcy, Piercy, Percy, John, Thirske
 Pearson, Peirson, Chr., Newbrough
 „ Fr., Egton
 „ Jas., Beedall

Jurymen, List of :—

Pearson, John, Sowerby
 „ Laur., Flawith
 „ Peter, Sowerby
 „ Rich., Sigston
 „ „ Sowerby,
 „ Rob., Danby
 „ Tho., Flaxton
 „ „ Langthorne
 „ Will., Cawthorne
 „ „ Cropton
 „ „ Thirske
 „ „ Whitby
 „ „ Wrelton
 Peart, Bryan, Thirske
 „ „ junr., Thirske
 „ Chr., Thirske
 Pearton, Jas., Askrig
 Pecket, Peckit, John, Hewby
 Pennocke, Martin, Broughton
 „ Rich., Pickering
 „ Rob., Pickering
 „ Will., Broughton
 „ „ Gillimoore
 Perkison, Will., Pickering
 Petch, Rob., Danby
 „ Tho., Danby
 Phillips, Phillipps, John, Carleton
 „ Rich., Thirske
 Phips, Fr., Thirske
 „ John, Thirske
 „ Rich., Thirske
 „ Will., Thirske
 Pickering, John, Kirby Fleatham
 „ Tho., Great Crakall
 „ Will., Richmond
 Pickersgill, John, Ellingstring
 „ „ Thirne
 Pilley, John, Stoxley
 Pillmoore, John, Gillamoore-cum-
 Fadmoore
 Pinder, Will., Lofthouse
 Pinkney, Anth., Ravensworth
 „ Edw., Hope
 „ Henry, Hope
 Piper, Tho., Pickering
 „ Will., Pickering
 Place, Tho., Hackforth, Hackworth
 Plaine, Plain, John, Thirske
 „ John, West Tanfeild
 Plaxton, Jas., Kirbymooreside
 Plewes, Plews, Fr., Tunstall
 „ Mark, Sutton
 „ Will., Richmond

Jurymen, List of :—

Plewman, John, junr., Wigginton
 „ „ senr., Wigginton
 „ Will., Wigginton
 Plumer, Plummer, Anth., Richmond
 „ Geo., Alne
 „ John, Thirske
 „ Rich., Alne
 „ Tho., Beedall
 „ Will., Thirske
 Poad, Rich., Newton
 „ „ senr., Newton
 Posgate, Possegate, Postgate, Chr.,
 Pickering Lyth
 „ Chr., junr., Guisbrough
 „ „ „ Pickering
 „ Henry, Filingdales
 „ John, Broughton
 „ „ „ Snainton
 „ Mich., Easby
 „ „ „ Yeaton [Great
 Ayton]
 Pots, Potts, Cuthbert, Knayton
 „ John, Marske
 „ „ Readcar
 „ Tho., Knayton
 Potter, Chr., Stoxley
 „ Jas., Stoxley
 „ Rich., Crakall
 „ Will., Glaisdale
 Powlow, John, Barton
 Presse, Edw., Newbegin
 Prest, John, Northallerton
 „ Stephen, Northallerton
 „ Tho., Thirske
 „ Valentine, Thornton-le-Moore
 „ Will., Thirske
 Preston, John, Lazenby
 „ „ Leckenby
 Preswicke, Prissicke, Chr., Carleton
 „ Henry, Ayton
 „ „ Stoxley
 „ John, Danby
 „ Oliver, Brompton
 „ „ „ Northallerton
 Prince, Will., Marton
 Proddy, Will., Guisbrough
 Prodham, Prudholme, Prudome,
 Sam., Gillimoor-cum-
 Fadmoore
 „ Sam., Sleighholmedale
 Purslove, Chr., Whitby
 Pybus, Pibus, Chr., Kirby Fleatham
 „ Henry, Firby

Jurymen, List of :—

- Pybus, Henry, Gilling
 „ „ Northallerton
 „ „ Screwton
 „ John, Screwton
 „ Math., Freer Garth
 „ „ Hemsley
 „ „ Kirby Wiske
 „ „ Maunby
 „ Ralph, Leeming
 „ „ Screwton
 „ Rich., Gilling
 „ „ Leeming
 „ Sam., Thirske
 Raggit, Jas., Easingwold
 Raine, Rayne, Jas., Thirske
 „ John, Hartoft
 „ „ Northallerton
 „ Will., Briscoe
 Rainer, Jonathan, Richmond
 Rainforth, Ralph, Dalton
 „ Will., Thirske
 Ramshawe, Chr., Bolton-on-Swale
 Raper, Anth., Harkeyside
 „ Chr., Harkaside
 „ „ Richmond
 „ Edw., Laborne
 „ Fr., Middleton
 „ Henry, Ainderby Whearn-how
 „ „ Middleton
 „ John, Beedall
 „ „ Langthorpe
 „ „ Theakston
 „ „ junr., Sinderby
 „ Rob., Richmond
 „ Sam., Thirske
 „ Symon, Thirske
 „ Tho., Thirske
 „ Will., Howe
 „ „ Middleton Whearn-howe
 Raw, Rawe, Chr., Brompton-on-Swale
 „ John, Brompton-on-Swale
 „ Will., Brompton-on-Swale
 „ „ Hudswell
 Rawlinson, Edw., Richmond
 Ray, Geo., Thoralby
 „ Will., Disforth
 Readhead, Redhead, Henry, Scawby
 „ Will., Cayton
 „ „ Keldome
 Reed, John, Thornton

Jurymen, List of :—

- Reed, John, sen^{r.}, Yarome
 „ „ Yarome
 „ Tho., Newton
 „ „ Yarome
 Render, Jas., Melmerby
 Renison, Rennison, Chr., Ayton
 „ Rob., Swinton
 Renson, John, Yarome
 Reynalds, Reynard, Reynerd, Math., Easingwould
 „ Tho., Easingwould
 Richardson, Chr., Cowburne
 „ „ Little Crakall
 „ „ Edw., Brompton
 „ „ Geo., Thornton - le -
 Beanes
 „ John, Brompton
 „ „ Burton
 „ „ Skiplam
 „ „ Sowerby
 „ „ Yowcoate
 „ Leon., Gilling
 „ Philip, Great Ayton
 „ Ralph, Heslehead
 „ „ Kirkdale
 „ „ Skiplam
 „ „ Weathercoate
 „ Rich., Sowerby
 „ „ Thirske
 „ Rob., Sutton
 „ Rowland, Easingwould
 „ Tho., Bowes
 „ „ Brompton
 „ „ Sheriff Hutton
 „ „ Sowerby
 Richmond, Edw., Dalton
 Rickaby, John, Faceby
 Rickinson, John, Faceby
 „ Tho., Sowerby
 Rider, Ryther, Geo., Newbegin
 „ Geo., Swineyside
 „ John, Gammerskill
 „ „ Horsehouse
 „ „ West Close
 „ Leonard
 „ Ralph, Deer Close
 „ Rob., Newbegin
 „ „ Swineyside
 Ridsdale, Rudsdale, John, Bagby
 „ John, Thirske
 Rimer, Rymer, Geo., Northallerton
 „ Geo., Screwton
 „ John, Northallerton

Jurymen, List of :—

Rimer, Mich., Northallerton
 „ Rich., Brompton
 „ „ Northallerton
 „ Tho., Screwton
 „ Will., Northallerton
 Ripley, Chr., Borrowby
 „ Tho., Fearby
 „ Will., Fearby
 Rippon, Nath., Manfeild
 Roantree, Roantry, Rontry, Chr.,
 Stoxley
 „ John, Easby
 „ Tho., Stoxley
 „ Will., Thirske
 Roberts, Will., Scorton
 „ „ Scruton
 Robinson, Anth., Boweswood
 „ Chr., Brumpton-on-Swale
 „ Edm., Richmond
 „ Fr., Leeming Street
 „ Geo., Beedall
 „ „ Bolton-on-Swale
 „ „ Brompton - on -
 Swale
 „ „ Easby
 „ „ Fremington
 „ „ Long Moore
 „ „ Newbegin
 „ „ Northallerton
 „ „ Thoraldby
 „ Henry, Thoraldby
 „ „ Yarne
 „ Jas., Burton-cum-Walden
 „ „ Fremington
 „ „ Oxnop
 „ Jerome, Aldbrough
 „ „ North Cowton
 „ „ Uckerby
 „ John, Barton
 „ „ Brompton - on -
 Swale
 „ „ Easingwould
 „ „ Eppleby
 „ „ Thirske
 „ Mich., Richmond
 „ Parcivel, Northallerton
 „ Philip, Brompton
 „ Rich., Alne
 „ „ Brompton - on -
 Swale
 „ „ Bruswicke
 „ Rob., Northallerton
 „ Roger, Slingsby

Jurymen, List of :—

Robinson, Symon, Reeth
 „ Tho., Fremington
 „ „ Richmond
 „ „ Thirske
 „ „ Thoraldby
 „ „ West Witton
 „ Will., Carperby
 „ „ Helmesley
 „ „ Ridmer
 „ „ Thornton Rust
 Robson, Oliver, Filingdales
 „ Rob., Sleights
 „ „ Slingsby
 Rochester, Ralph, New Malton
 Rockliffe, Roccliffe, Geo., Aisenby
 „ Geo., Thornbrough
 Rooke, Rook, Chr., Newbrough
 „ Henry, Richmond
 „ Rich., Hemsley
 Rooth, Routh, Rowth, Anth.,
 Thirske
 „ Fr., Thirske
 „ Henry, Thirske
 „ John, Sowerby
 „ „ Thorpefeild
 „ „ Whinhouse (Non-
 Jur., Oct^r. 5, 1714)
 „ „ jun^r., Thirske
 „ „ sen^r., Thirske
 Rose, John, Thornton-le-Street
 Routless, Routlis, Will., Thirske
 „ Will., Thornton le-Street
 Rowland, Rob., Hewby
 „ „ Newby
 Rowle, Rowill, Tho., Sowerby
 Rudd, Rob., Northallerton
 Ruddocke, Chr., Brandsdale
 Russell, Stephen, jun^r, Whitby
 „ Symon, Northallerton
 „ Rob., Alne
 Rutter, John, New Malton
 Sadler, Adam, Burton
 „ Edw., Hemsley
 „ Geo., Yarne
 „ John, Bishopdale
 „ „ Thoraldby
 „ „ jun^r, Thoraldby
 „ Mich., Howraile
 „ Rich., Exilby
 „ „ Richmonde
 „ Rob., Thoraldby
 „ Will., Hemsley
 „ „ Thirske

Jurymen, List of:—

Sadler, Will., Thoraldby
 ,, ,, Thornton Rust
 Salmon, John, Harome
 Sampler, Joseph, Thirske
 ,, Tho., Thirske
 Sanderson, Saunderson, Metcalfe,
 Pinchingthorpe
 ,, Ralph, Commandale
 ,, Rich., Worsall
 ,, Will., Ayton
 ,, ,, Pinchingthorpe
 ,, ,, Sutton Howgrave
 Sandwicke, Ralph, Hemsley
 ,, ,, Newton Grainge
 Savile, Savill, Hugh, Welburne
 ,, Tho., Welburne
 Sawden, Rich., Brompton
 ,, Will., Earle Grainge
 Sawer, Sower, Tho., Yarome
 Sayer, Geo., Bowes
 ,, ,, Stoneykeld
 Scaife, Skafe, John, Richmond
 ,, Rich., Woodcock
 ,, Rob., Thirklebys Ambo
 Scarth, Skarth, Arthur, Thoraldby
 ,, Tim., Danby
 ,, Will., Hemsley
 ,, ,, Maltby
 Sciver, Siver, John, Boltby
 Scoope, Scope, Rob., Gilling
 ,, Will., Gilling
 Scott, John, Hemsley
 Scraston, Joseph, Holgate
 Screwton, Scruton, Fr., Bagby
 Carleton Miniott
 ,, Geo., Screwton
 ,, Will., Thirske
 Seamer, Ralph, Scahton
 Sedgwick, Sidgwick, Sigswicke,
 Marm., Brompton
 ,, Tho.
 ,, Will., Brompton
 ,, ,, Oswaldkirke
 ,, ,, Reeth
 Seller, Rich., Slingsby
 ,, Tho.
 Sharowe, Sharowe, Rich., Thirsk
 ,, Will., Thirske
 Sharpe, Rich., Stockton
 Sharplesse, Tho., Butterwicke
 Shaw, Shawe, John, Hutton
 ,, John, Newsham
 ,, ,, Ravensworth

Jurymen, List of:—

Sheilds, John, Hartoft
 Shepheard, Shippearde, Jas., Apple-
 ton-le-Moore
 ,, Joseph, Dowthwaitedale
 ,, Rich., Dowthwaitedale
 ,, ,, Muscoates
 ,, ,, Spawnton
 ,, ,, jun^{r.}, Muscoates
 ,, Rob., Cawton
 ,, ,, Easingwould
 ,, ,, Muscoates
 ,, ,, jun^{r.}, Hemsley
 ,, Will., Cawton
 Sherwood, Jas., Thirske
 ,, Rich., Hutton Bonvile
 Shettle, Geo., Thirske
 Shut, Rich., Epleby, Lowfeld
 Sikerham, Sickerham, Tho.,
 Pickering
 Sigsworth, Tho., Screwton
 Silliman, Sylliman, Rob., Towler-
 ton
 Simeson, Jas., Kilvington
 Simonson, Edw., Thirske
 Simpkin, John, Hemsley
 Simpson, Alex., Alne
 ,, Chr., Aisgarth
 ,, Fr., Cotherston
 ,, Geo., Sinderby
 ,, Henry, Richmond
 ,, John, Alne
 ,, ,, Carperby
 ,, ,, Fleatham
 ,, ,, Grinton
 ,, ,, New Malton
 ,, ,, Patterickebrompton
 [sic]
 ,, Rob., Burton
 ,, ,, Thirske
 ,, ,, Thornton Beanes
 ,, ,, Roger, Hemsley
 ,, Tho., Kilvington
 ,, Will., Aisgarth
 ,, ,, Bewdlam
 ,, ,, Thirske
 Sinckler, Singler, Geo., New Mal-
 ton
 Skelton, Geo., Fawdington
 ,, ,, Northallerton
 ,, John, Thornton
 ,, Math., Wrelton
 ,, Rob., Appleton-le-Moore
 ,, ,, Spawnton

Jurymen, List of:—

Skelton, Sam., Wrelton
 „ Tho., Appleton-le-Moore
 „ „ Marton
 „ „ Snainton
 „ „ Wrelton
 „ Will., Ayslaby
 „ „ Freerhill
 „ „ Scinnington
 „ „ Snainton
 Slater, Slaytor, Anth., Melmerby
 „ John, Scales
 „ Rob., Gilling
 „ „ Scales
 Slee, Will., Richmond
 Sleightholme, Chr., Goatland
 „ Stephen, Goatland
 Slinger, Tho., Cubecke
 Smalewood, John, Whitby
 Smelt, Chr., Fencoate
 „ Kirby Fleatham
 Smith, Geo., Hemsley
 „ „ Ravensworth
 „ John, Appleton
 „ „ Brompton-on-Swale
 „ „ Lofthouse
 „ „ Scorton
 „ „ Sowerby
 „ „ Stappleton
 „ Laur., Marishes
 „ Marm., Thirske
 „ Mich., Karkin
 „ Ralph, Brompton - on -
 Swale
 „ Rob., Coverham
 „ „ Easingwould
 „ „ Wrelton
 „ Sam., Langthorpe
 „ Simon, Sowerby
 „ Tho., Coatham
 „ „ Kirkeleatham
 „ „ Richmond
 „ „ Scorton
 „ „ Theakston
 „ „ Thirske
 „ Will., Richmond
 „ „ Scotskew
 „ „ Whitby
 Smithies, Stephen, Coverham
 Smithson, John, Ainderby Steeple
 Smurthwaite, John, Easby
 Snawden, Ralph, Brandsdale
 „ Will., Earle Grainge
 „ „ Hutton Lockris

Jurymen, List of:—

Sootheran, Sotheran, Southeran,
 Southerne, John, Ampleforth
 Soulby, Sowlby, Chr., Hemsley
 „ John, Hemsley
 „ „ Hovingham
 „ Rich., Hemsley
 „ Rob., Hemsley
 Souley, Tho.
 Sowerby, Rowland, Sinington
 Sparrow, Geo., Scorton
 „ John, Brompton-on-Swale
 „ „ Scorton
 Spavan, Spavin, John, Swinton
 „ Mich., Swinton
 „ Nich., Swinton
 „ Rich., Broughton
 Spence, Adam, Richmond
 „ Chr., Bradley
 „ „ Swinithwaite
 „ John, Carleton
 „ „ Hemsley
 „ „ Swinithwaite
 „ „ West Witton
 „ Joseph, Bardon
 „ Leon., Gamersgill
 Spencer, Tho., Guisbrough
 „ Will., Guisbrough
 Spensley, Jas., East Hawkeswell
 „ „ Whitleyseite
 Spooner, Tho., Thirske
 Spurnell, Rob., Stoxley
 Squire, John, Romanby
 „ Will., Ainderby Steeple
 Stainbanke, Geo., Easby
 Staincliffe, Stainecliffe, Rich., Nor-
 manby
 Staines, John, Pickering
 „ Tho., Smeaton
 Stainthorpe, Straintroppe, Geo.,
 Potto
 „ Tho., Potto
 Stairman, David, Cathericke
 Stamper, Roger, Hemsley
 Standy, Staney, Geo., Middleton
 Tyas
 „ Will., Middleton Tyers
 Stanforth, John, New Malton
 Stapleton, Stapylton, Marm., Rich-
 mond
 „ Mich., Richmond
 „ Ralph, Thirske
 Staveley, Chr., Thirske
 Stawper, Rob., Hemsley

Jurymen, List of :—

Stawper, Rob., jun^r, Hemsley
 „ Roger, Hemsley
 Steele, Jas., Beedall
 Stelling, Geo., Brompton
 „ John, Brompton
 „ Luke, Brompton
 Stenney, Stenny, Will., Middleton
 Tyas
 Stephen, Tho., Northallerton
 Stephenson, Stevenson, Edw., Fearby
 „ Geo., Thirske
 „ Hall, Farlington
 „ Henry, South Cowton
 „ „ Whinham
 „ Tho., Thirske
 Stockdale, Will., Pickering
 Stockton, Stoxton, Fr., Potto
 „ Jas., Great Ayton
 „ John, Middleton Tyas
 „ „ Pickering
 „ Will., Osmotherley
 „ „ Pickering Lyth
 Stonas, Stones, John, Hemsley
 „ John, Rosedale
 „ Rich., Alne
 „ „ Cropton
 Stonehouse, John, Bilsdale
 „ „ Hartoft
 Stoney, Stonney, Rich., Kirklington
 „ Will., Kirklington
 Storm, Math., Filingdales
 Stor, Storr, Storre, John, Hutton
 Bushell
 „ John, Middleton
 „ „ Stoxley
 „ Rich., Pickering (Non-Jur.,
 Jan^{ry}. II, 1708)
 „ Will., Hutton Bushell
 Storrer, John, Crakall
 „ Will., Crakalls
 Story, Henry, Great Crakall
 „ John, Pickering
 „ Rich., Pickering
 „ Trinian, Woodhall
 „ Will., Crakall
 Straker, Rob., Northallerton
 Stringer, John, Northallerton
 „ Rob., Northallerton
 Strutt, Rich., Epleby Lowfeild
 Sturdy, Rich., Swinton
 „ Rob., Sutton Grainge
 „ „ Sutton-in-the-Forest
 Sundley, Sunley, Geo., Nunnington

Jurymen, List of :—

Sundley, Henry, Hemsley
 „ John
 „ Tho., Hontington
 „ „ Nunnington
 „ Will., Hemsley
 Surbut, Sudbert, Cuthbert, North-
 allerton
 „ Rich., Northallerton
 Sutton, Geo., Richmond
 „ „ Scorton
 „ Rich., Sand Hutton
 „ Sam., Richmond
 „ Tho., Hutton Seazeay
 Swales, Swailes, John, Sand Hutton
 „ John, Sproxton
 „ Mich., Hemsley
 „ „ Northallerton
 „ Ralph, Northallerton
 „ Rich., Sproxton
 Swainston, Fr., Yarne
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